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And some upon particular Subjects and Occasions, designed for the Instruction, Use, and Comfort, of Christians in general.

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AS a Minister of the Gospel of Christ, I have chiefly attended to the Knowledge of the Holy Scriptures, and the composing of regular Discourses for public Usefulness in the Church of Christ; and I humbly hope, my divine Lord and Master, hath counted me faithful; in that I have received several Testimonies to my Ministry in the Conversion of Sinners, and the Comfort of Saints, in different and distant Places; which has laid a Foundation for my Encouragement and Comfort, and animated me by the Assistance of his Grace, to exert the utmost of my Strength and Ability in the Service of my Lord; and being desirous to improve my Time for the spiritual Profit of myself and others,

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to the Honour of the Redeemer, I have spent many of my leisure Hours (for several Yeats past) in composing sacred Hymns upon particular Texts of Holy Scripture; and sometimes upon particular Subjects and Occasions; which I did to impress my own Heart with a more lively Sense of divine Truth; and, if possible, under a divine Blessing, to convey those lively Impressions to others to whom I might Minister. Yet it was not my first Design to publish them to the World, nor had I any such Intention, but I have been urged upon, to let them appear in Print for public Usefulness, by many serious, pious Christians, belonging to separate Congregations in different and distant Counties, where I have been called in Providence to preach the Word of Christ; and where I have either delivered some of my Hymns in public, or (by Desire of Friends) read them in private; concerning which they have testified to me, that they heard them with Satisfaction and Comfort; and being desirous to do good, and promote the Interest of true Religion, and the Welfare of immortal Souls, to the utmost of my Power; I

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am at length prevailed upon to make them public; and I can truly say, my great Design therein is to glorify God, to honour the great Redeemer, and do good to the Souls of men, if it may please the God of all Grace to make them useful to Christians in general, or any Christian in particular. The following Hymns, as to their various Subjects, are not methodically placed in particular Order, being composed at various different Times, without any particular designed Plan; but altho' they are promiscuously placed, they contain the most material Doctrines and Precepts of Evangelical Truths.

I was led to compose many of them when my Mind was more than ordinarily impressed with the Subject, which I hope have given them a deeper Tincture of Devotion and Piety; and having myself had some Experience of Affliction and Trial, I have been led to make many of them for the Support and Comfort of afflicted Christians. I composed several of them for my own Use, upon Subjects which were not particularly to be found in that excel-

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lent Book of Hymns, (so justly admired by Christians in general, and worthy of the highest Esteem) composed by the learned and pious Dr. WATTS. I do not take to myself the least Claim to the Name of a Poet, yet I hope the following Composes are tolerably easy, and I have endeavoured to make them correct; but I am a fallible Creature, and there are no doubt, some Mistakes to be found, which I hope the candid Reader will excuse; many little Mistakes or Inaccuracies may appear to the Eye of another which have escaped my own; nevertheless, I humbly hope, the following Hymns may answer the grand Design of the Author, viz. for Instruction, Comfort, and Usefulness to serious Christians. Several of these Hymns rather exceed in length for public Worship; yet if any should think proper to make Use of them upon Occasion, a Verse or Two may be left out in the singing. Spiritual Hymns have been esteemed of great Use, and singing Praise to God, in the Use of them, a delightful and useful Part of sacred Worship, from the earliest Ages of the Church until now; the Apostle Paul in

his Exhortations to the Ephesians Christians, says, "Be filled with the Spirit, speaking to yourselves, in Psalms and Hymns, and spiritual Songs, Singing, and making Melody in your Hearts to the Lord," Ephes. v. 18, 19 — I commit the following Work to the Blessing of God, and I hope for the Candour of all my Christian Friends, to whom I most sincerely wish, Grace, Mercy, and Peace, from the Lord Jesus Christ,

And am,

Their Servant,

For Jesus Sake,

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ALTHO' in the original Copy the Hymns were all placed in the exact Form of the several Metres, yet (thro' the hurry of the Press) some of the short Metre Hymns in the beginning of the Book are placed in the Form of common Metre, which the Author hopes the Reader will excuse. And there are a few Words which should have been contracted, but are not, as *possessed*, instead of *possess'd*, Hymn lii, Verse 8, Line 3; and others contracted which ought not, as *chang'd*, instead of *changed*, Hymn cxlvii, Verse 4, Line 3, which the Reader may easily discover by the Measure of the several Metres. Also a Change of Words has happened in some Lines, which are to be read as follows: Hymn xl, in the Title, Line 1, for *is*, read *in*; Hymn lviii, Verse 4, Line 1, for *from holy Resolution*, read *from holy Resolutions*. Hymn cxxii, Verse 2, Line 3, for *have*, read *I have*; Hymn cl, Verse 5, Line 1, for *now*, read *new*; Hymn ccxviii, Verse 1, Line 2, for *where*, read *whose*, Hymn ccxxi, Verse 3, Line 1, for *let*, read *led*; Hymn cclii, Verse 2, Line 1, for *his*, read *this*.

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And did upon his Soul impress,
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- 2 He gave him Knowledge, made him Wise,
To contemplate the heavenly Skies;
He plac'd him in a blest Abode,
In which he might enjoy his God.
- 3 But Satan in the Serpent came,
And led him into Sin and Shame;
To break his Maker's just Command,
And loose the Blessings of his Hand.
- 4 God said to Man, "Sure thou shalt Die,
"When thou shalt take what I deny;"
Yet tempted, and deceiv'd, he Eat,
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- 5 Man by the Tempter thus ensnar'd,
The Veng'ance of his Maker fear'd ;
His Eyes were open'd, and he saw,
Himself condemned by the Law.
- 6 He shun'd the Presence of his God,
And hid himself amongst the Wood,
But God, his Sov'reign, call'd and said,
"Hast thou transgress'd the Law I made?"
- 7 Man self-condemn'd the Trespas own'd,
And awful Consequences found ;
Yet Sov'reign Grace with-held the Blow,
Of fatal Vengeance, Wrath, and Woe.
- 8 God to the Serpent spoke, and said ;
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II. *Man's Recovery from his Apostacy by Christ.*

- 1 **W**HEN Man rebell'd, and lost his Bliss,
And broke the Cov'nant of his Peace ;
A God of awful Holiness,
Proclaim'd the Wonders of his Grace.
- 2 Made known his Purpose to restore,
His ruin'd Creatures, by his Pow'r,
In Honor to his glorious Name,
Thro' Christ his Son, the sacred Lamb.
- 3 Whom he before ordain'd to come,
And rescue Sinners from their Doom,
To turn their Hearts to God again,
And free them from immortal Pain.

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- 4 In Time he sent him forth from Heav'n,
By whom his pard'ning Love is giv'n,
Who dy'd to save a ruin'd Race,
And Honor Justice with his Grace,
- 5 He sends his glorious Truth abroad,
That Men may learn to know the Lord,
Redeems them from the Wrath to come,
And fits them for his Heav'nly Home.
- 6 He guides them in the Way of Peace,
That leads to everlasting Bliss;
And brings them to the happy Shore,
Where Sin, and Satan, reign no more.

III. *The Character of the Godly, and their Salvation and Protection by the God of Wisdom, 2 Pet. ii. 9.*

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On Wings of Faith and Love.
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Who walks in Paths of Righteousness;
And keeps his Conscience clear.
- 3 This is the Man that shall be blest,
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In Realms of heav'nly Bliss.

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- 4 Nor Sin, or Satan, or the World,
Can e'er his Soul destroy,
For Vengeance shall on them be hurl'd,
Whilst he is crown'd with Joy.
- 5 The Lord knows how to crush his Foes,
And put them all to Shame,
He will protect the Lives of those,
Who fear his sacred Name.
- 6 He will with perfect Wisdom Guide,
The Upright and Sincere ;
And in his safe Pavilion hide,
The People of his Care.
- 7 Let us with sacred Songs adore
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Shew forth his Goodness and his Pow'r;
And all his Works proclaim !

IV. *Christ, the Way to Happiness*, John xiv. 6.

- C**HRIST is the Way to heav'nly Bliss,
And to immortal Joy ;
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- 2 Him God the Father sent to shew,
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To prove his faithful Cov'nant true,
And raise our Souls above.
- 3 He is the Prophet that makes known,
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- 6 Risen and exalted, now he reigns
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V. *Christ the Substance of the Types, and the
 Life of the Soul, John xiv. 6.*

- I **T**HE Antient Jewish Types are gone;
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 And turn'd their Shade to Day.
- 2 The glorious Son of God, who gives
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 By whom the guilty Sinner lives,
 Who turns to God again.
- 3 The Blood of Beasts on Altars slain
 Could ne'er atone for Sin;
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 Or make the Conscience clean.
- 4 But Jesus shed his richer Blood,
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- 5 The Beasts that dy'd reviv'd no more,
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 Who gives (to draw our Souls to Heav'n)
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VI. *Christ's Promise to Receive Sinners,* John vi. 37.

- 1 **T**HUS saith the Lord; "believe my Word,
 " Trust in my Name, and Live;
 " My Doctrines will true Joys afford,
 " And Life is mine to give.
- 2 " Those humble Souls I will receive,
 " That on my Grace rely;
 " To them I will Salvation give,
 " And they shall never Die.
- 3 " Whoever comes to me shall find,
 " My Word of Promise sure;
 " Unchanging is my sacred Mind,
 " And shall the same endure.
- 4 " Him, that Sincerely comes to me,
 " And seeks my pard'ning Love;
 " I'll set him from his Bondage free,
 " And give him Joys above.
- 5 " The Man that shall my Mercy chuse;
 " And trust upon my Name,
 " I will by no means e'er refuse,
 " But my rich Grace proclaim.

- 6 "I never will his Name disown,
"Or cast him from my Care;
"I'll raise him near my glorious Throne,
"And make him Joyful there."

VII. *The Love of Christ in coming to save Sinners.*

- 1 JESUS the Lord came down to save,
The sinful Sons of Men;
To free the Pris'ner, and the Slave,
From Satan, Death, and Sin.
- 2 He came with kind Designs of Love,
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That he might raise us far above,
The Regions of the Dead.
- 3 With Blood he did our Ransom pay,
Thro' agonizing Pain;
And in the Tomb a Victim lay,
When crucify'd and slain.
- 4 But now he lives above the Sky,
And interceeds in Heav'n;
Preparing Mansions far on high,
Which to his Saints are giv'n.
- 5 Jesus is worthy, blest his Name!
Let all our Souls adore!
And in our Songs aloud proclaim,
His wond'rous saving Pow'r!
- 6 Let Saints rejoice, let Angels sing,
Upon their highest lays;
And let the whole Creation ring,
Harmonious to his Praise.

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VIII. *The Christian's Trust in Divine Providence.*

- 1 **M**Y God, has fed me all my Days,
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He has preserv'd my Life with Care,
He is my God ; forever near.
- 2 In various Kinds of sad Distress,
He has upheld me by his Grace ;
His Providence my wants supply'd,
And in his Care, I will confide.
- 3 I thank my God, I praise his Name !
Whose Providence, is still the same ;
Forever he is Wise and Good,
And gives his Children Life and Food.
- 4 Whilst I pass thro' this Wilderness,
I'll trust his all-sufficient Grace ;
And when I meet some thorn'y Way,
My God shall be my constant Stay.
- 5 Lord may my Faith and Love be strong ;
Let Joy and Vict'ry be my Song ;
And may my Patience still endure,
Till thou shall make my Bliss secure.
- 6 O may thy Wisdom, Grace, and Pow'r,
Guide and support me ev'ry Hour,
Then shall I reach thy blest Abode,
And dwell forever with my God.

IX. *The Pious Soul's desire to Dwell with God
in the Holy Heaven of his Abode.*

- 1 **F**AR from all Sin and Sorrow free,
Lord I would rise and dwell with thee,
Dwell in those Realms of thine Abode,
Where I may ever see my God.
- 2 Enjoy the Pleasures of thy Throne,
Which ever flows from thee alone;
And sing thy Praise in noblest Strains,
Where my blest Saviour ever reigns.
- 3 And join the grand Angelic Choir,
And in their heav'nly Songs conspire,
To make thy wondrous Glories shine,
And shew thy Love in Joys divine.
- 4 There let me view thy richest Grace,
Which shines thro' all the heav'nly Space,
Admire and love thy sacred Name,
And sing the Praises of the Lamb!
- 5 There let thy Love expand my Breast!
And make me full of Transport blest!
Then shall my happy Spirit join,
In Songs Celestial and Divine.
- 6 And thus with Angels I shall vie,
And sound my Notes of Praises high!
Shall joyful dwell in thine Abode,
Where I shall ever see my God.

10 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

X. *Christ's coming to Judgment; and distributing to every one their Reward,*
Rev. xxii, 12.

- 1 **T**HUS saith the Lord "Behold I come,
" With Power and Surprize,
" To give the Sons of Mortal Doom,
" Their judgment from the Skies.
- 2 " The Righteous I'll reward with Life,
" And Bless for evermore;
" But Sons of Wickedness and Strife,
" Shall feel my wrathful Pow'r.
- 3 " According as their Works can prove
" Their Faith and Love Sincere;
" So shall they find Rewards above,
" And meet with Honor there.
- 4 " Wretched the Man whose Works deny,
" A God of Holiness;
" Who dares Almighty Pow'r defy,
" And spurns at Sov'reign Grace.
- 5 " Far from the Realms of sacred Bliss,
" I'll bid his Soul depart;
" Down to the World of dark Abyss,
" With Anguish, in his Heart.
- 6 " But ever blest are they who live,
" In Godliness below;
" To them immortal Joys I'll give,
" And on them Heav'n bestow."

XI. *The Speedy Approach of a Judgment to
Come, with its solemn Consequences,*
Rev. xxii, 12.

- 1 **T**HUS saith the Lord ; " I'll quickly come,
" To judge the Human Race ;
" Awful ! shall be the Sinners Doom,
" But Saints shall know my Grace.
- 2 " The Sinner shall my Presence flee,
" And dwell in endless Woe ;
" But Saints shall dwell in Heav'n with me,
" And my rich Glories know."
- 3 Hear what this awful Judge declares !
And fear his sacred Name !
Offer before him humble Pray'rs,
His wondrous Grace proclaim !
- 4 The Rich and Poor, the Small and Great,
Must all before him stand ;
Unbounded Space has no retreat,
From his avenging Hand.
- 5 Princes must come, who reign'd on Earth ;
Nor can their regal Pow'r,
Or Crowns, or Claims of noble Birth ;
Prevent the awful Hour.
- 6 Angels above before him Bow,
And yield to all his Will ;
Let us like Angels serve him now,
And sing his Praises still.

12 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

XII. *Justification, thro' the Redemption, and Righteousness of Christ, Rom. iii, 24, 25, 26.*

- 1 GREAT is the Mercy of the Lord,
Who dwells in Heav'n above;
Who manifests his sacred Word,
Of Righteousness and Love.
- 2 Who sent from Heav'n his only Son,
To save a sinful Race;
To die for Crimes that Men had done,
And shew his pard'ning Grace.
- 3 He can redeem our Souls from Death,
And set us free from Sin;
For he gave up his vital Breath,
That we might live again.
- 4 'Tis thro' his perfect Righteousness,
Our Souls are justify'd;
Who bore for us his sharp Distress,
And conquered when he dyed.
- 5 Christ is the sacred Mercy-Seat,
In him the Godhead dwells,
His sov'reign Mercy is compleat,
And pard'ning Love reveals.
- 6 In the most holy Heav'n with God,
He lives forever more;
And sends his Grace and Truth abroad,
Lost Sinners to restore.
- 7 Not all the Works that we have done,
Can any Sin remove;
God thro' the Merits of his Son,
Conveys his pard'ning Love.

XIII. *Redemption and Justification received by Faith in Christ, Rom. iii, 24, 25, 26.*

- 1 **B**Y Faith in Jesus Christ the Lord,
We are redeem'd thro' Grace;
'Tis Faith lays hold upon his Word,
And trusts his Righteousness.
- 2 Faith, is the Method God has giv'n,
Salvation to receive;
All that become the Heirs of Heav'n,
Must in the Lord believe.
- 3 The Lord is Holy, Just, and True,
His Ways are Righteousness;
Thro' Faith he does our Souls renew,
And saves us by his Grace.
- 4 Thro' Faith he justifies us now,
When in his Grace we trust;
Thro' Faith he'll pard'ning Love bestow,
And raise us with the Just.
- 5 Great is the Father's wondrous Love,
In Wisdom, Grace, and Power;
Rich is the Grace of Christ above,
Who thus our Lives restore.
- 6 Let everlasting Praise be giv'n,
To God, Jehovah's Name!
Who will receive our Souls to Heav'n,
Thro' Jesus Christ the Lamb!
- 7 Loud Hallelujahs sound the Praise
Of the Redeemer's Worth;
Proclaim the Wonders of his Ways,
And shew his Glories forth.

14 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

XIV. *The Angel's Message to the Shepherds;
and Christians exhorted to praise the Lord,*
Luke ii. 10, 11.

- 1 " **BEHOLD** the promis'd Seed appears !
(The sacred Angel said)
" Jesus the Lord ; to him draw near,
" And let your Praise be paid.
- 2 " Behold th' incarnate Saviour born,
" And in the Manger lies ;
" Rejoice, and bless the sacred Morn,
" Ye Armies of the Skies.
- 3 " Glad Tidings full of Joy and Peace,
" To guilty Men on Earth ;
" Jesus will give a free Release,
" And far remove the Curse.
- 4 " This is the Christ, the sov'reign Lord,
" Who brings Salvation down ;
" Who will fulfil the sacred Word,
" And reign on David's Throne."
- 5 Tho' Christ, who took our Natures, dy'd,
He's risen from the Dead,
Exalted at his Father's Side ;
And made our living Head.
- 6 He reigns ; the sov'reign King of Kings,
His Throne is Righteousness ;
Peace and Salvation Jesus brings,
And will the Nations bless.

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- 7 Let sacred Songs of lofty Praise
Dwell on the Tongues of Men,
And Infants their Hosanna's raise !
T' exalt the Saviour's Name.
- 8 Let Men, and Angels, join their Choirs,
And with harmonious Sounds,
Express ten thousand strong Desires,
And give their Praise no bounds !

XV. *The Strength of Christ ; Love to his Disciples, John xv. 9, 10.*

- 1 **A**S God the Father loves his Son
With a supreme Delight ;
So Jesus loves the Sons of Men,
Amidst his Glories bright.
- 2 His Love unchanging cannot fail,
But still remains the same,
And shall eternally prevail,
To them that love his Name.
- 3 His Love is rational and pure,
Which none can e'er remove,
His strong Affection ever sure,
Which his kind Mercies prove.
- 4 In Love he will protect his Saints,
And save them by his Pow'r ;
He will regard their sad Complaints,
And all their Joys restore.
- 5 His Gifts of Love shall never cease,
He deals with bounteous Hand,
His Treasures far exceeds th' increase,
That was in Canaan's Land.

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- 6 Dear Jesus ! we would ever be,
With thy rich Grace impress'd ;
Inspir'd with endless Love to thee,
And enter to thy rest.

XVI. *The Power of divine Grace, and Riches
of Salvation discovered in the Gospel, to
all Nations.* *Isaiah lii. 10.*

- 1 **J**EHOVAH the Almighty God,
Has made his Mercy known abroad,
His saving Arm extendeth forth,
From East to West, from South to North.
- 2 Salvation he proclaims to Men,
And brings the Captives back again,
He makes to all the Nations known
That Grace, that well adorns his Throne.
- 3 The Jew and Gentile shall adore,
The Wonders of his saving Pow'r ;
And all the Heathen Lands rejoice,
For they shall hear his pard'ning Voice.
- 4 His Grace is Rich, his Love Divine,
The Glories of his Gospel shine,
Where e'er the Sun his Beams display,
And turn thick Darkness into Day.
- 5 Jesus his Son, he sent to die,
Jesus his Son, he rais'd on high,
In him he will the Nations bless,
And make them know his sov'reign Grace.
- 6 Dear Lord ! and is thy Love so great ?
Let us thy pard'ning Love partake !
That now we may rejoice in thee,
And praise thee thro' Eternity !

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- 7 Then shall we join th' Angelic Choir,
And in their highest Notes conspire,
To sound the Honors of thy Name,
And sing the Praises of the Lamb.

XVII. *The Christian's freedom from Condemnation by Christ.* Rom. viii. 1.

- 1 **A**S Sinners, by the Law we stood
Condemn'd in Flames to dwell;
But Jesus shed his richest Blood,
To save our Souls from Hell.
- 2 Without a Portion in his Grace,
By Faith and Love sincere
The sinful Sons of mortal Race,
Shall find his Wrath severe.
- 3 But those that in the Saviour trust,
And are by him redeem'd,
Shall still remain among the Just;
And cannot be condemn'd.
- 4 Their Sins cannot condemn them now,
Since Christ the Lord was slain;
For them he dy'd upon the Cross,
For them he rose again.
- 5 The World's Temptations may assault,
And strive to make them yield;
But Christ will give them Strength to gain
The conquest of the Field.
- 6 Satan cannot condemn their Souls,
This false Accuser stands
Himself condemn'd, and conquer'd too,
By Christ's avenging Hands.

18 SPIRITUAL HYMNS:

XVIII. *The Christian's freedom from Sin, and
delight in Holiness, by the Spirit of Christ.*
Rom. viii. 2.

- 1 CHRISTIANS set free, by Christ the Lord,
From Sins destructive Pow'r,
Obey the precepts of his Word,
And will be Slaves no more.
- 2 Led by his Spirit, in the way
Of Righteousness and Peace ;
Sin and the Flesh they won't obey,
But seek for heav'nly Blifs.
- 3 They live an Holy Life below,
And walk in humble Fear ;
Their Joys, to heav'nly Comforts grow,
When Christ the Lord is near.
- 4 Nor Sin, or Death, can e'er remove,
Their steady Feet aside ;
While Jesus leads them by his Love,
In Streams that sweetly glide.
- 5 Their Faith is strong, their Hope is firm,
Their Love is warm, and pure ;
They shall enjoy their Saviour God,
Long as the Heav'ns endure.

XIX. *Jesus the Saviour, promised, and sent
for the Salvation of Sinners.* Matt. i. 21.

- 1 WHEN Man, Apostate, lost his bliss,
And broke the Cov'nant of his Peace,
The mighty God proclaim'd his Grace,
And spoke with Truth, and Righteousness.

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- 2 " The woman's Seed, in Time unknown,
 " Shall bruise the Serpent's Head alone,
 " Shall seal my Pardons with his Blood,
 " And make my promis'd Blessings good."
- 3 Now is this Grace in Truth fulfill'd,
 In the unspotted Virgin's Child,
 In Bethlem did the Shepherds meet,
 To pay their Homage at his Feet.
- 4 Attendant Angels did proclaim,
 The sacred Honours of his Name,
 While Jesus in the Manger lay;
 And shall not we our Homage pay?
- 5 Glory to God who dwells above!
 And now displays his Grace and Love!
 Good will to Men, and Peace on Earth,
 To all that love the Saviour's Birth.
- 6 Jesus shall save from Sin and Hell,
 His sacred Lips shall Wonders tell,
 His Wisdom, Pow'r, and Grace, shall join,
 To prove his Doctrine all divine.
- 7 Let Saints and Angels both unite
 To make his Praises their delight,
 And let our gladden'd Voices rise,
 Above the vast expanded Skies.

XX. *The rich Grace of Christ, in seeking lost Sinners. Luke xix. 10.*

- 1 **W**HAT wondrous Grace our God displays!
 His Love exceeds our highest Praise!
 What Wonders hath his Wisdom done!
 Thro' Jesus, his incarnate Son,

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- 2 Jesus the Son of God most high,
Descended from the lofty Sky,
Took on him human Flesh, and bore
Those Pains and Griefs unknown before.
- 3 When as the Son of Man he came
To heal the Sick, restore the Lame;
To seek lost Sinners, bring them home;
And lead them safely as they come.
- 4 He calls the Sinner, saves his Soul;
And makes his broken Spirit whole,
Redeems him with his richest Blood;
And makes him Holy, pure and Good.
- 5 Jesus to save the Sinner dy'd,
With pierced Hands and wounded Side;
And from the Dead he rose again,
To break the Sinners mortal Chain.
- 6 Blest Jesus! we would come to thee,
O lead us where our Souls may see
Those glorious Mansions of the blest,
Where we shall find eternal Rest.

XXI. *The glorious Mystery of Godliness in the
Incarnation and Manifestation of our Lord
Jesus Christ. Tim. iii, 16.*

- 1 IMMANUEL from the Realms on high,
Adore his sacred Name!
Descended far below the Sky,
And took the Human Frame.

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- 2 The heights and depths of sacred Love,
 Angelic Minds exceed,
 That Christ descending from above,
 Should suffer, dye, and bleed.
- 3 The Holy Spirit on him shed,
 Unmeasur'd Graces down;
 And Heav'n's bright Glory on his Head,
 Compos'd his sacred Crown.
- 4 Angels gave Witness to the Birth,
 Of the incarnate Word,
 Angels stood round him on the Earth,
 And glorify'd the Lord.
- 5 His Gospel thro' the World was known;
 Gentiles his Word receiv'd;
 All nations did the Saviour own,
 And on his Name believ'd.
- 6 Our Saviour in full Glory dress'd,
 With Majesty and Pow'r,
 Ascended to the Realms of Bliss,
 And Angels him adore.
- 7 Let us with Songs of Triumph sound
 His sacred Honours high;
 Praise him ye Seraphs that surround
 His Throne above the Sky.

XXII. *God's Promise to regard the Prayer of the afflicted.* Psalm l. 15.

- 1 "IN Days of Trouble," saith the Lord,
 "Call upon me, obey my Word,
 "Thy earnest Cries shall reach mine Ear,
 "And I'll receive thy humble Pray'r.

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- 2 "From troubles I will set thee free,
"When thou canst put thy Trust in me,
"And thou shalt glorify with Praise,
"Thy sov'reign Maker all thy Days."
- 3 Sorrow and Sickness, Pain and Death,
Attend the Sons of mortal Breath;
The Evils of this sinful State,
Are felt by all, both Small and Great.
- 4 There's nothing here can ever make
The happiness of Life compleat;
But God will certainly bestow,
His Blessings on his Saints below.
- 5 Happy the Saints who live and reign
Above the Skies, and free from Pain
Enjoy the perfect Realms of Bliss,
In Love, in Harmony and Peace.
- 6 But whilst we must this State endure,
Let us by Faith in God, secure
That Happiness beyond the Grave,
Which Saints enjoy, and Angels have.

XXIII. *Long Life to the Righteous, and Dis-
appointment to the Wicked. Prov. x. 22.*

FOR NEW-YEAR'S DAY.

- 1 **S**WIFT winged Time makes haste
To roll the Years away;
None can recal the Time that's past,
Or make the present stay.

- 2 But they that fear the Lord,
And love, and pray, and praise,
Hath the kind Promise of his Word,
That he'll prolong their Days.
- 3 Forever blest are they
That fear the God of Heav'n;
And with a willing Mind obey
The Precepts he hath giv'n.
- 4 Whose Principle of Fear,
Is join'd with filial Love;
Blessings Divine attend them here;
And endless Joys above.
- 5 But they that know not God,
Nor give him Praises due;
Shall feel the Veng'ance of his Rod,
And find their Years but few.
- 6 Let us with solemn Awe
Revere the God of Pow'r;
And with Obedience to his Law,
His holy Name adore.
- 7 Praise him with joyful Songs,
For all his Blessings past;
Trust in his Name for Years to come,
So long as Life shall last.
- 8 And may the God of Grace,
When e'er we come to die,
Appoint our Souls some happy Place,
In Realms above the Sky.

24 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

XXIV. *God our Salvation, Strength, and Song,
through Jesus Christ his Son. Isaiah xii. 2.*

- 1 **S**ALVATION! is the sacred Theme!
By Angels well admir'd!
And Saints shall praise Jehovah's Name!
By his rich Grace inspir'd!
- 2 Jehovah, from his Court on high!
In sov'reign Grace and Love!
Sent his own Son to bleed and die,
And all our Guilt remove.
- 3 God is our Strength, in him we live,
Redeemed by his Son;
Through his Atonement he'll forgive,
The sins that we have done.
- 4 The God of our Salvation gives
Our captive Souls release;
Nor can the Pow'rs of Earth or Hell,
Remove our lasting Peace.
- 5 In God, Jehovah, now we'll trust;
His Pow'r and Grace adore;
Who will renew our ruin'd Dust,
And Life and Joy restore.
- 6 Salvation, Strength, and Pow'r belongs,
To God, the Just and Wise;
Praise him ye Saints, with Angel's Songs,
Above the lofty Skies.
- 7 Tunes of immortal Praise are due,
To our redeeming Lord;
How rich his Grace, that Souls renew!
How glorious is his Word!

XXV. *The Redeemer reigns.* 1 Cor. xv. 25.

- 1 **O** Bless the Lord, enthron'd on high!
Above the regions of the Sky!
Whose Royal Pow'r and Sov'reign sway,
Makes all the Nations to obey.
- 2 Jesus, the Saviour, reigns above,
With Justice, Righteousness, and Love;
He will preserve from ev'ry Snare,
The chosen People of his Care.
- 3 Tho' Sin and Satan, Death and Hell,
With all their awful Pow'rs rebell;
He'll crush them all beneath his Feet,
And make each Tyrant to submit.
- 4 Tho' Death dissolves our Mortal Clay,
And sends the Soul some distant Way;
His pow'rful Voice will raise the Dead;
And strike his Enemies with dread.
- 5 Happy the Subjects of his Grace!
To them he'll grant some heav'nly Place!
But those that disobey his Will
Must his all-pow'rful Veng'ance feel.
- 6 He rules the Heaven, the Earth and Seas,
He makes them serve as he shall please,
And by his all-sufficient Might,
Angels obey with winged flight.
- 7 Let Praises be forever giv'n
To Christ the Lord, who reigns in Heav'n,
Let all the World obey his Word;
And yield to him their Sov'reign Lord.

XXVI. *Christ the Hope of immortal Glory.*
Col. i. 27.

- 1 **B**RIGHT Glories fill the lofty Throne!
Of God, who dwells on high!
Pleasures Divine, and Joys unknown,
Are found above the Sky.
- 2 Who shall enjoy this sacred Place,
And know this Heav'nly Bliss?
None but the Souls redeem'd by Grace,
Thro' Christ the Prince of Peace.
- 3 Jehovah from his lofty Throne!
Sent down his only Son;
And made him the Foundation Stone,
To rest our Hopes upon.
- 4 Vain are the false Foundations laid,
On all that Men can do;
'Tis Christ alone the Ransom paid,
To save our Souls from Woe.
- 5 Vain is the Hypocrite's Pretence,
To all Religion now;
The Judge will say, "Depart ye hence,
"To the dark World below."
- 6 But all whose Faith and Hope relies
On Jesus Christ, the Lord;
Shall by his Grace have rich Supplies,
And live upon his Word.
- 7 Such happy Souls shall e'er possess
The heav'nly World above;
Perfect in Peace and Righteousness,
In Purity and Love.

XXVII. *The mighty Power of God in his
Works of Nature, Providence, and Grace.*
Psalm cvi. 2.

- 1 **T**HE Sov'reign Lord on high,
Supremely great and wise!
Made the vast Heav'n, and Earth, and Seas,
And rules above the Skies.
- 2 He spoke, and by his Pow'r,
The Host of Heav'n were made;
Let the whole World his Name adore!
Who Earth's Foundation laid.
- 3 This God of Pow'r and Love,
Supplies with ev'ry Good;
Sends down his Blessings from above,
And gives his Creatures Food.
- 4 Who can his Pow'r express?
Or shew forth all his Praise!
Angels admire, but must confess,
They know not all his Ways.
- 5 Angels admire the Plan,
His Wisdom has contriv'd;
To save from Ruin fallen Man,
Thro' Christ, his Son, that dy'd.
- 6 Let Earth and Heaven join,
To praise the Sov'reign Lord!
Whose Wisdom, Pow'r, and Grace Divine!
Redeems us thro' his Word!

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- 7 Praise him, ye Saints above,
And Angels that surround,
The sacred Throne of Grace and Love,
With all harmonious Sound!
- 8 Let us our Voices raise
To God who dwells on high;
A sacred Song of Love and Praise,
Resounding to the Sky!

XXVIII. *Jehovah the Judge, Lawgiver, and King.* Isaiah xxxiii. 22.

For the 5th of NOVEMBER.

- 1 JEHOVAH is the awful Lord,
Whose Veng'ance like a pointed Sword,
Shall slay the Rebels at his Feet,
Who dare against his Churches meet.
- 2 He is the Judge of all the Earth;
Princes and Kings, of noble Birth,
With Fear and Trembling must confess,
His Veng'ance and his Righteousness.
- 3 This God of Judgment rules by Laws;
He will defend the righteous Cause;
But Sons of Malice, Rage, and Death,
He will destroy with angry Breath.
- 4 He reigns Supreme, his Sov'reign Sway,
Makes Nations yield, and Kings obey:
He will his holy People save,
From Sin, from Satan, and the Grave.

- 5 O Lord, we bless thy wond'rous Pow'r!
That sav'd us from the dreadful Hour;
When Sons of Mischief secret plann'd,
To ruin this our honour'd Land.
- 6 Let Britons raise their Voices high!
To praise the Lord that spread the Sky!
And shew his saving Wonders forth,
From East to West, from South to North!
- 7 Praise him, thro Jesus Christ his Son;
Shew forth the Works his Hands have done;
Songs of Salvation ever raise,
In Anthems of eternal Praise!

XXIX. *The approaching End of all Things,
and the importance of Watchfulness, Prayer,
and Christian Love. 1 Pet. v. 7, 8.*

- 1 **T**HE End of all Things draweth near,
And soon we all must die;
The World itself shall disappear,
And Time no longer fly.
- 2 With Soberness and watchful Care,
Let all our Days begin;
To guard us thro' revolving Years,
From ev'ry Act of Sin.
- 3 With awe profound God's Name declare,
And worship him below,
With earnest Cries, with humble Pray'r,
Before his Footstool bow.

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- 4 Let fervent Love our Hearts unite,
In sacred Worship here ;
And make his Praises our delight,
With Joy and humble Fear.
- 5 'Time yet to come will soon be past,
In few succeeding Hours ;
Let Praise to God whilst Life shall last,
Employ our feeble Pow'rs.
- 6 Then let the Years pass swiftly on,
Our willing Souls shall rise,
To sing the Praises of his Throne,
Who dwells above the Skies.

XXX. *Christ's Assurance in God for Help,
with holy Resolution and Courage.*
Isaiah 1. 7.

- 1 JEHOVAH reigns on high,
And will support his Son ;
Thus saith the Lord, who came to die,
For Sins that Men had done.
- 2 " My Father, and my God,
" With Pow'r surrounds me well,
" And I shall rule with Iron Rod,
" The Nations that rebel.
- 3 " I know my God will Aid,
" And will support my Throne ;
" I am well pleas'd," my Father said,
" When Glory round me shone.

- 4 " No fears shall fill my Mind,
 " Nor Terrors strike my Breast ;
 " Tho' all my Enemies combin'd,
 " To take away my Rest.
- 5 " All Art they can invent,
 " Shall ne'er my Tongue confound,
 " I've set my Face like Rock of Flint,
 " On everlasting Ground.
- 6 " I shall not put on Shame,
 " Nor backwards turn my Face,
 " Tho' all my Foes blaspheme my Name,
 " And hold me in disgrace.
- 7 " My Throne forever stands,
 " My Kingdom is secure ;
 " Those that refuse my just Commands,
 " My Veng'ance shall endure."
- 8 Rejoice ye Saints and sing,
 New Songs of Praise to God ;
 The Saviour will Salvation bring,
 To such as keep his Word.

XXXI. *The perfect Goodness of God as a Sun
 and Shield to guide and protect the Upright.*
 Psalm lxxxiv. 11.

1 **T**HE Lord Jehovah reigns
 Eternal and supreme ;
 His sov'reign Pow'r the World sustains,
 And all its wondrous Frame.

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- 2 He is our Sun and Shield,
He guides the way to Bliss ;
He makes the strongest Pow'rs to yield,
And gives his People Peace.
- 3 His sacred Word directs,
The Way his People go ;
And his Omnipotence protects,
From ev'ry pow'rful Foe.
- 4 The Riches of his Grace,
Descend on Saints below ;
He guides them thro' the Christian Race,
And gives them Glory too.
- 5 No Good will he deny
The Upright and Sincere ;
But such as dare his Pow'r defy,
Shall find his Wrath severe.
- 6 The Upright shall be blest
With Favour and with Love ;
To them he'll give eternal Rest,
In his bright Realms above.
- 7 Let all the Saints adore,
With most exalted Voice,
Jehovah's Wisdom, Love, and Pow'r,
And in his Name rejoice.
- 8 Let Angels tune their Songs,
Of lofty Praises, high ;
All Glory to our God belongs,
Who fram'd th' expanded Sky.

XXXII. *True Repentance and Salvation;
worldly Sorrow, and Death.* 2 Cor. vii. 10.

- 1 **H**APPY the Man whose conscious Mind,
With godly Sorrows mourn;
A pard'ning God he'll surely find,
Who waits for his return.
- 2 Happy the Souls that mourn for Sin,
With true Repentance now;
They shall receive that Peace within,
Which Saints enjoy below.
- 3 God will their Lives in Safety keep,
And bless them with his Love;
And Joys for Sorrows they shall reap,
In the bright World above.
- 4 Woe to the sordid Worldling's Care,
Who mourns with sighing Breath,
His anx'ous Grief becomes his Snare,
And leads him on to Death.
- 5 Let mortal Grievs of Sense and Time,
No more disturb my Peace;
But think my Soul on Things Divine,
And seek Immortal Bliss!
- 6 Adore the great Redeemer's love,
That full Salvation gives;
Praise him who left the Realms above,
Who dy'd, but ever lives.
- 7 Think on the goodness of the Lord,
Admire his wondrous Pow'r;
Serve him forever, keep his Word,
And Praise him evermore.

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XXXIII. *Justification by Faith, and Hope of
Glory thro' the Lord Jesus Christ.*

Rom. v. 1, 2.

- 1 **L**ET all the Saints the Lord adore,
And magnify his Name!
Shew forth his wond'rous saving Pow'r,
And his rich Grace proclaim.
- 2 Who justifies our Souls from Sin,
Thro' Jesus Righteousness;
And gives us Joy and Peace within,
By his redeeming Grace.
- 3 Happy the Saints who thus enjoy
The blessings of his Love;
No Pow'r of Darkness can destroy
Their joyful Hopes above.
- 4 Those that believe are sav'd from Wrath,
From Satan, Death, and Hell;
Are freed from Sins condemning Curse,
And shall in Glory dwell.
- 5 Jesus, the Prince of Peace, preserves
Their Souls from every Foe;
Jesus, whose Merit well deserves,
Such Pow'r and Conquest too.
- 6 Their Hopes of everlasting Love
On Jesus Christ they rest;
He'll raise them to the Realms above,
And make them ever blest.

- 7 Let all the Saints and Angels praise
The great Jehovah's Son;
And sound aloud in heav'nly Lays,
The Wonders he hath done!

XXXIV. *The Greatness and Majesty of Christ,
and the Love and Honour bestowed upon the
Saints.* Rev. i. 5, 6.

- 1 **A**LL Praise to Jesus Christ be giv'n,
The faithful Witness sent from Heav'n,
Who testified the sacred Word,
By Miracles of sure record.
- 2 Jesus, whose sacred Blood was shed,
Was first begotten from the Dead;
No more to die, but live and reign,
In the celestial Realms again.
- 3 Where, from his royal Throne on high,
Above the vast ætherial Sky;
He lets the Earthly Princes know,
He must be fear'd, and rev'renc'd too.
- 4 Jesus has lov'd us, for he gave,
His sacred Body to the Grave;
That we might live forever blest,
In Realms of everlasting Rest.
- 5 He shed his rich atoning Blood,
To reconcile our Souls to God;
To wash us from our Sins impure,
And make our heav'nly Bliss secure.

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- 6 He makes us Kings, and Priests to God,
Creates us fit for his Abode;
Crowns us with Glory like his own,
And seats us on his heav'nly Throne.
- 7 Pow'r and Dominion are his due,
Whose Grace and Spirit makes us New;
His Songs of everlasting Praise,
Let Saints on Earth, and Angels raise!
- 8 Praises to our ascended Lord!
Whose Name shall ever be ador'd!
To him be Wisdom, Pow'r, and Love!
By all on Earth, and all above!

XXXV *God's infinite Condescension, in his indwelling Presence.* Isaiah lvii. 15.

- 1 **T**HUS saith the High and Lofty One,
Who fills Eternity alone;
Whose Nature is all Holiness,
Whose Name is full of Love and Grace,
- 2 "I dwell in lofty Realms on high,
"Above the vast expanded Sky;
"The holy Heav'n is mine Abode,
"There sits enthron'd the eternal God.
- 3 "Yet" saith the Lord, "th' Eternal Mind
"To Heav'n's Abode is not confin'd;
"With him I'll dwell whose humble Pray'r,
"And contrite Sighs shall reach mine Ear.
- 4 "To him who has an humble Heart,
"My Grace and Love I will impart;
"I will receive the contrite Soul;
"And make the broken Spirit whole."

- 5 Lord, make our Spirits humble now,
And at thy sacred Footstool bow;
That so our contrite Souls may see,
A God of spotless Purity.
- 6 Send down thy Spirit from above,
And fill our Souls with Peace and Love;
That we may find thy Presence here,
And may at length in Heav'n appear.
- 7 Then shall our Souls transported sing,
The Joys thy various Glories bring,
And sound the Wonders of that Grace,
Which brought us to thine heav'nly Place.

XXXVI. *The dim Sight of Faith in Things
unseen.* 1 Cor. xiii. 12.

- 1 **A**LMIGHTY Sov'reign, gracious God,
Thy Pow'r and Wisdom shine abroad;
The World was form'd by thine Hand,
All Nature moves at thy Command.
- 2 Thy Providence thy Kindness shows,
Fraught with the Blessings Heav'n bestows,
In Justice, Righteousness, and Love,
Thou sendest Blessings from above.
- 3 Thy sacred Truths from Heav'n declare,
What thy Divine Perfections are;
Set thy redeeming Mercy forth,
And shew the Soul's immortal Worth.
- 4 Such is thy bounteous Mercy Lord,
Thou giv'st thy Spirit with thy Word,
To make thy Servants know thy Will,
And thy rich Grace to them reveal.

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- 5 But yet our Souls can only see,
A God of spotless Purity;
Like some Resemblance darkly shown,
Perfect indeed, but yet unknown.
- 6 By Faith in God, and not by Sight;
We now behold his glorious Light;
An unseen Jesus now we love,
By Faith in distant Joys above.

XXXVII. *The glorious Sight of heav'nly Vision.* I Cor. xiii. 12.

- 1 **L**ORD, when our Souls shall reach the Skies!
When we from Earth to Heav'n shall rise!
New Scenes of Glory bright shall shine,
In Wonders of thy Love Divine!
- 2 Where Saints shall Face to Face behold,
Those Glories that could ne'er be told,
And see the great Redeemer's Face,
Beaming with Love, and bounteous Grace.
- 3 And where they shall with Knowledge see,
The Glories of the sacred Three,
And with Immortal Joys adore,
Divinest Wisdom, Love, and Pow'r.
- 4 There Faith shall into Vision turn,
And Saints no more their Absence mourn,
But in the Presence of their Lord,
Shall see his Glories shine Abroad.
- 5 Transported with this heav'nly Sight,
And fill'd with ever fresh Delight;
Their Knowledge and their Love shall be,
Boundless as their Eternity.

- 6 Immortal Honour shall be giv'n,
By all the happy Saints in Heav'n,
To him that sits upon the Throne!
To him that makes his Glories known.

XXXVIII. *The Glory of Christ's second coming,
and the Distinction he will make as Judge,
between the Righteous and the Wicked.*

Matth. xxv. 31, 32.

- 1 **W**HEN Christ shall from the Heav'ns
With Royal Majesty; [descend,
Then will the Angels all attend,
To sound his Honours high.
- 2 Jesus, the Son of Man, will sit
Upon his glorious Throne;
Summons the Nations at his Feet,
And make his Glories known.
- 3 Then all the Wicked shall appear,
Before his Judgment Seat;
And with alarming Dread and Fear,
To his great Pow'r submit.
- 4 But Saints with Joy will see the Lord,
And find their Bliss secure,
Whilst Sinners tremble at his Word,
And must his Wrath endure.
- 5 The Lord, the Judge, divides them well,
The Wicked from the Just;
And Sinners must in Torments dwell,
But Saints in endless Rest.

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- 6 O solemn Period! dreadful Day!
When Christ the Lord shall come;
Tremble ye Sinners with Dismay!
For awful is your Doom!
- 7 But happy Period! glorious Hour!
To those of Faith and Love;
The Saviour comes with Sov'reign Pow'r!
To make them blest Above.

XXXIX. *Desire to Worship God here, and
enjoy him hereafter.* ' Psalm xxvi. 8.

- 1 LORD, may our Souls delight to dwell,
Within thine House of Prayer;
O may we love thy Worship well,
And Sing thy Praises there.
- 2 The Tabernacle of thy Grace
Shall fill our Souls with Love,
And fit us for some heav'nly Place,
In nobler Courts above.
- 3 Lord what is Time and all its Cares?
Without thy Favours here
This is a State of Sins and Snares,
Thro' ev'ry passing Year.
- 4 Our Lives are short, and soon we die,
When 'tis ordain'd of God;
To unknown Regions swift we fly,
To take our last Abode.
- 5 Lord send thy Spirit from on high,
And shed thy Love abroad;
And raise our Souls above the Sky,
To dwell with thee our God.

- 6 Then, when we leave this Wilderness,
Of Distance from thy Seat;
We shall enjoy thy bounteous Grace,
Where Saints and Angels meet.

XL. *The Righteousness of God is his Correction, and the Joy of Christian Brethren at the Restoration of the Afflicted.*

Psalm cxix. 74, 75.

- 1 **A**LL ye that fear and love the Lord,
Hope in his Name, and trust his Word;
Join in your solemn Songs of Praise,
For God is just in all his Ways.
- 2 In all the Judgments of his Rod,
He shews himself a righteous God,
And by Afflictions from above,
Corrects in Faithfulness and Love.
- 3 He bringeth downwards to the Grave;
And his Almighty Pow'r can save;
He brings us back from Death's Alarm,
And saves us by his mighty Arm.
- 4 O let us Praise the Lord most high!
For his Salvation ever nigh;
According as his Truth declares,
In Faithfulness he answers Pray'rs.
- 5 Let Praise ascend the sacred Throne,
Of God Almighty, who alone
Can from Affliction set us free,
And sit us for Eternity.

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- 6 With Gladness we would praise our God,
When he removes his chast'ning Rod;
And any of his Saints restore,
To our Refreshment, by his Pow'r.

XLI. *The Judgments of God, and the Destruction of the Wicked.* Psalm ix. 16.

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- 1 GREAT Sov'reign of the Realms on high,
Who rules above th' expanded Sky;
Thine awful, and thy righteous Rod,
Shall shew the Nations, thou art God.
- 2 The Heaven of Heav'ns cannot contain
Thy Presence, or confine thy Reign
Unlimited, thy Sov'reign Sway
Shall make thy Creatures all obey.
- 3 Angels submit, and Men must know,
Thy Mercies, and thy Judgments too;
Thy Veng'ance shall be poured down
On all that dare oppose thy Crown.
- 4 The Wicked, who thy Pow'r defy,
Their secret Plots of Mischief ply;
To catch the Righteous in their Snare,
And vainly boast no God is there.
- 5 But thine All-penetrating Eye
Discerns their Thoughts, their Secrets spy;
Thy Pow'r can turn their ill Designs,
To wound their Heads, torment their Minds.

- 6 Thus, when the Papal Pow'r engag'd,
And all their Malice secret rag'd;
To strike one sudden awful Blow,
To lay the British Throne below.
- 7 Thou, with thy pow'ful Arm alone,
Preserv'd the honour'd British Throne;
Turn'd Papal Malice on her Head,
And struck her boasted Courage Dead.
- 8 Great God! expand our Hearts with Love!
And raise our Thoughts of Praise above!
That while we live, we may adore!
And sing thy Majesty and Pow'r.

XLII. *Exhortation to Sinners to repent.*

- 1 **C**ONSIDER well, ye Sinners now,
How Guilty you have been;
Before the sacred Footstool bow,
With Penitence for Sin.
- 2 Repent in Time, nor yet delay,
Till all your Hopes be gone;
Secure the Blessings of the Day;
By Faith in Christ alone.
- 3 Let your Repentance be sincere,
And flee the Wrath to come;
Obey your Sov'reign Maker here,
And seek his heavenly Home.
- 4 Depart from ev'ry evil Way,
And mourn the Sins you've done,
To God for pard'ning Mercy pray,
With Faith in Christ his Son.

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5 Pray for the Spirits heav'nly Pow'r,
To change your Natures now,
To new create you, and restore
The Life Divine below.

6 That so you may no longer be
The Slaves of Sin and Death;
But set from Sins Dominion free,
Recover vital Breath.

XLIII. *Exhortation to bring forth the Fruits
of Repentance.* Matth. iii. 8.

1 YE that would be belov'd of God,
And number'd with the Saints;
No more provoke his awful rod,
Nor make your sad Complaints.

2 Bring forth the Fruits of Penitence,
And humbly worship God;
Lye low before his Throne, from whence
He sends his Grace abroad.

3 With holy Awe, and solemn Fear,
Depart from ev'ry Sin;
In Holiness to God draw near,
And keep the Conscience clean.

4 Let not your Actions, Thoughts, or Words,
Against your God offend;
But give yourselves to be the Lord's,
And all your Lives amend.

5 So shall you prove Repentance true,
And live a Life Divine;
Shall honour God in all you do,
And bright Examples shine.

- 6 So shall you raise your Souls above,
And seek your Comforts there,
Within those sacred Realms of Love,
Where God and Jesus are.

XLIV. *The Effects of Unbelief in rendering
the Word of God unprofitable, both to Jews
and Gentiles. Heb. iv. 2.*

- 1 **T**HRO' Unbelief, the Isralites
Forsook their God and King;
Who led them thro' the Sea on Foot,
And did Salvation bring.
- 2 When God reveal'd his glorious Name!
And made his Wonders great!
Whilst thro' the Wilderness they came,
They did their God forget.
- 3 He sent them Prophets, made them Priests,
And gave them his Command,
Yet Unbelief possess'd their Breasts,
When in the promis'd Land.
- 4 At length he sent his dearest Son,
And made his Promise good,
But they deny'd the Holy One,
And shed his precious Blood.
- 5 He rais'd his Son to Life again,
And sent his Truth abroad;
That Gentiles, with the Jews, might know,
The Wonders of the Lord.

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- 6 Yet Unbelief so much ensnares,
And blinds the Gentile Race,
While some his Word attentive hear,
The rest despise his Grace.
- 7 Long have we heard the joyful Sound,
Of his Salvation giv'n;
But, O what Unbelief is found!
To keep us back from Heav'n!
- 8 Dear Lord, dissolve each stubborn Heart,
Not let us Faithless prove;
Let thine All-conqu'ring Grace convert,
And fill our Souls with Love.

XLV. *The Saints appearance with Christ in
Glory, who is their Life.* Col. iii. 4.

- 1 **C**HRI**ST** is the Life of ev'ry Soul;
He makes the broken Spirit whole;
By his own Death he Death remov'd,
And purchas'd Life for those he lov'd,
- 2 He shed his own most precious Blood,
To bring lost Sinners home to God;
Set them from Condemnation free;
Whilst Truth and Mercy well agree.
- 3 He ransoms Souls to God again,
And makes them Holy, Pure, and Clean;
Redeems them from their Sin and Woe,
And fits them for his Glory too.
- 4 He turns us from our evil Ways,
And fills our Hearts with Joy and Praise;
Gives us new Life as from the Dead,
And will his Spirit on us shed.

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- 5 He'll come a second Time, and shew,
What his Almighty Pow'r can do;
When he will raise us from the Tomb,
And bring us to his heav'nly Home!
- 6 Then with our Lord shall we appear,
In Life and Joy, and Glory there!
With him enjoy the heav'nly Bliss,
And dwell in everlasting Peace.

XLVI. *Praise to God for his Goodness, in a
State of Recovery from Affliction, with a
Sense of Pardon. Ps. ciii. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5,*

- 1 **O** Bless the Lord, my Soul!
And praise his holy Name!
Whose Mercy like a River flows,
In one eternal Stream!
- 2 **O** bless the Lord, my Soul!
Exalt his Praises high!
And sound the Wonders of his Love!
Who lives above the Sky.
- 3 'Tis he thy Sins forgive;
From Bondage sets thee free;
And makes thy brok'n Spirit live,
With Joy and Peace to thee.
- 4 Thy Sickneses he heals,
And sets thee free from Pain,
Removes thy Weakness far away,
And makes thee strong again.

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- 5 He ransoms thee from Death;
And crowns thee with his Love,
His Grace renews thy vital Breath;
And gives thee Joys above.
- 6 He satisfies thy Life,
With ev'ry precious good;
His bounteous Hand and tender Care,
Supplies thy Mouth with Food.
- 7 Like Eagles, that renew
Their youthful Strength again;
He will restore thy feeble Frame,
And all thy Pow'rs sustain.
- 8 O bless the Lord, my Soul,
Let all thy Pow'rs unite;
Forever to adore and praise,
The God of thy Delight.

XLVII. *The awful Difference between Saints
and Sinners.* Rev. xx. 15.

- 1 **B**EHOLD the Judge, with awe profound,
Upon his sacred Throne;
The stubborn Sinner he'll confound,
The Hypocrite disown.
- 2 But when the Saints before him meet,
He'll dry up ev'ry Tear;
With Joy they'll stand before his Seat,
And find Acceptance there.
- 3 Their Names within the Book of Life,
On sacred Record stand;
They shall receive rewards of Bliss,
And dwell at his Right-hand.

- 4 But those whose Names have found no Room
Within the sacred Rolls;
Brimstone and Fire must be their Doom,
And Wrath torment their Souls.
- 5 So great the Difference then shall be
Between the States of Men;
The Righteous shall God's Kingdom see,
The Wicked dwell in Pain.
- 6 Glory shall crown the Saints above,
Where Love is shed abroad;
But awful Distance shall remove
Vile Sinners from the Lord.

XLVIII. *The Saints desire to have their Names
inserted in the Book of Life, and to meet
with Acceptance at the Judgment Seat.*
Rev. xx. 15.

- 1 **D**EAR Jesus! in this Day of Grace,
To thee our Souls would look;
Give our unworthy Names a Place,
Within thy sacred Book.
- 2 Then shall we stand before thy Bar,
With Honour and with Joy;
When we thy pard'ning Word shall hear,
And Praise our Tongues employ.
- 3 We dread thine Anger, Sov'reign Lord,
We can't thy Veng'ance bear,
Speak to our Souls some healing Word;
Thy pard'ning Love declare.

50 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

- 4 Then shall we now rejoice in thee,
And praise thy gracious Name;
And when thy glorious Face we see,
Our Joy shall be the same.
- 5 Then shall we dwell with thee above,
And know, with great Delight;
The Wonders of thy heav'nly Love,
With strong and joyful Sight.
- 6 Transported with thy Glories there,
Shall ever sing thy Praise;
With sacred Hymns of Joy declare,
Thy just and holy Ways.

XLIX. *Joshua's Resolution to serve the Lord.*
Joshua xxiv. 15.

- 1 JOSHUA, the royal Leader, said,
To the blest Armies by him led,
"Choose ye this Day whom ye will serve,
"Jehovah did your Lives preserve.
- 2 "Myself, and all mine House adore,
"The God of Wisdom, Love, and Pow'r,
"Jehovah we will serve and own,
"The glorious Honours of his Throne."
- 3 Jehovah is the living God,
Whole Pow'r and Goodness shine abroad;
Let us like Joshua serve him now;
And at his sacred Footstool bow.
- 4 What tho' a vain deluded Race,
May disregard the God of Grace;
Let us resolve to own his Name,
Nor fear the false reproach of Shame,

- 5 Jehovah gave us Life and Breath,
He can preserve our Souls from Death;
In him we live, in him we move;
To him we owe our warmest Love.
- 6 He sent his Son to lead us thro',
This dang'rous Wilderness below;
To set us free from Sin and Woe,
And fit us for his Glory too.
- 7 Let us adore his Name, and give
Our Honour to him whilst we live,
And thro' the remnant of our Days,
Delight to speak and sing his Praise.
- 8 Then shall we die in sacred Peace!
And quit this World for Realms of Bliss!
There to enjoy the God we love!
And sing his heav'nly Praise above!

L. *The Snare of the Wicked broken, and
the Righteous delivered. Ps. cxxiv. 7.*

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- 1 **D**READ Sov'reign of the Realms on high!
Who dwells in Light above the Sky!
Veng'ance and Pow'r belongs to thee,
Before thy Face the Wicked flee.
- 2 Vain are th' Attempts the Sons of Rage,
Against thy Kingdom dare engage,
Not all their Pow'r, or Art, or Skill,
Can e'er resist thy Sov'reign Will.

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- 3 Our God, who made this Isle his Care,
Did brake the Fowler's secret Snare;
And sav'd us from the fatal Hour,
Of Papal Anti-christian Pow'r.
- 4 Let us with joyful Lips record,
This signal Mercy of the Lord,
Whose Wisdom, Pow'r, and Grace unite,
To make his Praises our delight.
- 5 Happy the Nation where the Lord,
Saves from the Flame, the Fire and Sword,
More happy they who shall obtain,
Freedom from Satan's captive Chain.
- 6 Great God, we bless thee for thy Grace!
In the bright Sun of Righteousness!
Whose healing Beams the Nations save!
Whose Pow'r redeems them from the Grave.
- 7 Fill us, great God, with Praise and Love,
Prepare us for the Joys above;
That so our Songs of Joy may be,
As lasting as Eternity.
- 8 Then shall our Souls find sweet Delight,
In those Immortal Realms of Light,
Where nothing can the Saints molest,
But all conspire to make them Blest.

LI. *The Duties of Christian Calmness, humble
Pray'r, and Trust in God. Philip iv. 6, 7..*

- 1 **L**ET no foreboding Thoughts distress,
Or make your real Comforts less;
Nor suffer anxious Cares to rise,
For God is righteous, just, and wise.

- 2 Make ev'ry Trial, ev'ry Care,
Known to your God by humble Pray'r,
And raise your Thanks and Praises high,
Up to his Throne above the Sky.
- 3 He is the God of Peace and Love,
Dispensing Blessings from above;
And those that on his Grace rely,
With Peace shall live, with Comfort die.
- 4 He sent his Son a Saviour blest,
To give his sinful Creatures rest;
And thro' the Merits of his Son,
He pardons Crimes that we have done.
- 5 His Grace is rich, his Pow'r is strong,
Rehearse his Wonders in your Song;
No Understanding can conceive,
The Blessings which his Grace can give.
- 6 The Men established by his Grace,
Shall surely find a resting Place;
Tho' Storms and Tempests blow and roar,
They shall obtain the peaceful Shore.
- 7 No more my God I'll murmur now,
But at thy sacred Footstool bow;
And freely give myself to thee,
For Time and for Eternity.
- 8 Now I'm supported by thy Care,
The Wonders of thy Grace I hear,
O may I in the World to come,
In Heav'n and Glory find my Home.

LII. *The Saint's Desire of acceptance with
God, from the Consideration of the short-
ness of Time, and the impossibility of
returning from the Dead.*

Job xvi. 22.

FOR NEW-YEAR'S DAY.

- 1 **W**HEN a few Years at most are come,
I must forsake this mortal Home;
I must be gone and wing my flight,
To Worlds unknown to mortal Sight.
- 2 The last revolving Year is fled,
And Thousands number'd with the Dead;
I live, but must as well as they
Submit to die and dwell in Clay.
- 3 None shall return to Time again,
To loose their Joy or ease their Pain;
The Righteous dwell in Heav'n secure;
The Wicked must their Pains endure.
- 4 Lord, teach me now to live to thee;
From Sin and Satan set me free;
By Faith, Obedience, Truth, and Love,
Prepare me for the Joys above.
- 5 Send down thy Spirit, make me know
The various Duties I must do;
While by my Faith I rest alone,
On the rich Merits of thy Son.

- 6 Be thou my God while Time shall last,
And when my fleeting Days are past,
Be thou my Portion, raise me where
The Mansions of the blessed are.
- 7 Then shall my Soul with Angels join,
In Songs Celestial and Divine,
To Praise thy great and glorious Name,
And sing the Praises of the Lamb.
- 8 Then changing Scenes of Time no more
Shall interrupt me as before;
But with immortal Pow'rs possessed,
I shall enjoy eternal Rest.

LIII. *The Desire of Christians so to Watch and Pray as to escape present Judgment and future Wrath. Luke xxi. 36.*

- I **M**AKE us great God! to live and die,
Fit for the Mansions of the Sky;
Guide us safe thro' the narrow Road,
That leads us safe to thine Abode.
- 2 O send thy Spirit from above,
To give us Wisdom, Peace, and Love;
To make us know thy sacred Will,
And all thy just Commands fulfil.
- 3 Lord we would watch our inward Frame,
Rev'rence and fear thy sacred Name;
Do thou defend our Souls from Sin,
And make us holy, pure, and clean.

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- 4 Make us great God by earnest Pray'r,
Fit Suppliants for thy gracious Ear;
Whilst we lye prostrate at thy Throne,
And all thy Grace and Justice own.
- 5 May we escape thy Judgments here,
And when our Lord shall yet appear,
Before his sacred Presence stand,
With Life and Joy at his Right-hand.
- 6 Then may we hear that joyful Word;
"Come all ye blessed of the Lord,
"Enjoy your Father's Kingdom now,
"Where Saints and Angels ever bow.
- 7 "Join in the heav'nly Choir of Praise,
"Upon the Notes which Angels raise,
"The Kingdom long prepar'd possess,
"And there your God and Saviour bless."

LIV. *God's Promise of all-sufficient Grace to the tempted Christian.* 2 Corinth. xii. 9.

- 1 **T**HUS saith the great the mighty God!
"Sufficient is my Grace!
"The Man who trusts upon my Word,
"Shall run the Christian Race.
- 2 "What tho' the Seeds of Sin remain,
"And Nature's prone to Ill;
"Grace shall the humble Saint sustain,
"And make him Conqu'ror still.
- 3 "What tho' the Tempter dare assail,
"To lead his Soul astray;
"I'll make my Pow'r and Grace prevail,
"And he shall win the Day.

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- 4 "What Duties I may call him to,
 "Or Hardship he may bear;
 "My Grace shall guide him safely thro'
 "And lead him on with Care.
- 5 "What e'er Afflictions bear him down,
 "And grieve his righteous Soul;
 "My Grace shall raise him to my Throne,
 "Where Pleasures ever roll.
- 6 "What my own sov'reign Grace begins,
 "My Pow'r shall make compleat;
 "To save from Sorrows, or from Sins,
 "And raise him to my Seat.
- 7 "In all his Weakness and his Fear,
 "My Strength shall make him strong;
 "I'll dry up ev'ry falling Tear,
 "And make my Grace his Song."
- 8 O dearest Lord! on thee I rest;
 Whose Word of Grace is sure,
 Let me within thine Arms be blest,
 For there I am secure.

LV. God's unchanging Pow'r and Goodness.

Isaiah lix. 1.

- 1 **G**OD is the same, in Pow'r and Love,
 His Arm is never weak;
 He'll send his Blessings from above,
 To those his Mercy seek.

58 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

- 2 His Ear is never deaf to hear,
Their earnest Groans and Cries;
He'll answer all their humble Pray'rs;
And help them from the Skies.
- 3 He is the same in Pow'r and Grace,
He was in Ages past;
His Mercy and his Righteousness,
To endless Years shall last.
- 4 His Arm is strong, his Pow'r is great,
His Love is infinite;
His Goodness perfect, Grace compleat,
And Mercy his delight.
- 5 His Ear is open to receive
The Pray'rs of all his Saints;
Divine Attention he will give
To all their sad Complaints.
- 6 Dear Lord! we put our trust in thee,
Nor shall we trust in vain;
Set us from Sin and Sorrow free,
And we'll adore thy Name.

LVI. *The awful Terrors of God's revealed
Wrath.* Rev. vi. 17.

- 1 **W**HEN God shall all his Wrath reveal,
No Sinner can himself conceal;
Nor can the boldest Sinner stand
Against the Veng'ance of his Hand.
- 2 When from his dread majestic Throne
He makes his awful Veng'ance known;
The Sons of Wickedness on Earth,
Must feel the Terrors of his Wrath.

- 3 But there's an awful Day to come,
When ev'ry Soul shall meet it's Doom,
And none but favourites of Heav'n,
Can stand and find their Sins forgiv'n.
- 4 The bold Blasphemer must submit;
The Hypocrite no more be quit;
The sordid Worldling find his Share,
In awful Condemnation there.
- 5 Think O my Soul, this dreadful Day!
Cast all thy stubborn Sins away;
And to that blessed Jesus fly,
Who ransoms Souls condemned to die.
- 6 Then joyful shalt thou meet thy Lord,
And hear him speak that blisful Word,
"Come all ye Blessed, enter where
"Your Father's glorious Mansions are."

LVII. *Heavenly Mindedness in expectation of
our coming Lord.* Philip. iii. 20.

- 1 **T**HE humble Christian's Heart is set,
To find the Way to Zion's Gate;
And while he passes thro' the Road,
His Conversation is with God.
- 2 Both Pray'r and Praise employs his Tongue;
Heav'n, and his God, compose his Song;
His Thoughts ascend above the Skies,
And thither all his Joys arise.

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- 3 He walks in pious Ways, and treads
The Path that safe to Glory leads;
He hates the Ways that Sinners go,
Which leads to Mis'ry, Wrath, and Woe.
- 4 He looks to Heav'n from whence he hopes,
To meet the Shepherd of the Flock;
To see his Sov'reign Lord appear,
And view his sacred Glories near.
- 5 He longs to see his Saviour's Face;
And reach within his kind Embrace;
He longs to gain that happy Shore,
Where Storms and Tempests rage no more.
- 6 He knows his dearest Lord will come,
And bring him to his heav'nly Home,
And make him safe in that Abode,
Where he may ever see his God.
- 7 When dearest Lord thy Face we see,
'Twill set our Hearts from Sorrow free;
Shew us the Token of thy Love,
Then shall our Souls rejoice above.
- 8 And while this Wilderness we pass,
Afford the Influence of thy Grace;
Till we shall reach those Realms of Joy,
Where Praise shall all our Tongues employ.

LVIII. *Exhortation to improve Time,*
Ephes. v. 16.

- 1 **R**EDEEM your Time, ye Sons of Men,
All you have lost, now strive to gain;
The Years revolve their Rounds apace,
And Time will end the Day of Grace.

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- 2** Think how you've spent the Time that's past;
 Your Thoughts upon your Follies cast;
 That now you may those Follies shun,
 And the true Paths of Duty run.
- 3** Think how uncertain, short; and vain;
 Your Lives upon the Earth remain;
 And call Eternity to Mind,
 Where you must Wrath or Mercy find.
- 4** From holy Resolution now,
 To serve your God, and humbly bow
 Before his sacred Footstool here,
 That you may 'scape his Wrath severe,
- 5** So manage all this World's Affairs,
 In all its various Calls and Cares,
 That you may keep religious Hours,
 And Worship God with all your Powers.
- 6** Now let your Pray'rs ascend his Throne;
 Your Sins confess, your Follies own,
 Pray for the Spirit's sov'reign Aid,
 And plead the Promise God has made.
- 7** Think much on Death and Judgment too,
 Alarm your Minds with Sinners Woe,
 Think often on the World to come,
 Where you must meet your endless Doom,
- 8** So live as you would wish to die,
 Fit for the Mansions of the Sky;
 Improve the present Time you have,
 That you may live beyond the Grave.

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LIX. *Christ's appearance to execute Divine Judgment upon the Wicked, to their Destruction.* Rev. xiv. 15, 16.

- 1 **B**EHOLD the Son of Man appears!
On flying Clouds his Throne,
His awful Hand the Sickle wears,
To reap the Earth alone.
- 2 Behold the flying Angel comes!
With an alarming Cry!
"Thrust in thy Sickle, reap the Earth,
"For all thy Foes must die.
- 3 The great Avenger of his Saints,
With awful Terrors now;
Hearkens to all their just Complaints,
And makes the Wicked bow.
- 4 Hear, O ye Sinners, how the Wrath
Of an avenging God,
Strikes thro' the Rebels of the Earth,
The Terrors of his Rod.
- 5 Repent, before that dreadful Hour,
Shall make his Veng'ance known,
When his sharp Sickle shall devour,
And cut the Wicked down.
- 6 Yet may the Saints with joyful Songs,
Sing Praises to his Name!
To them Salvation now belongs!
And they adore the Lamb!

LX. *The Righteous blest in Death by God's
preventing Goodness. Isaiah lvii. 1.*

- 1 **B**EHOLD the dire Effects of Sin !
Which from our infant Breath begin ;
Mortality in-bred at first,
Brings us at length to dwell in Dust.
- 2 Mortality exempt from none,
Enters the Cottage and the Throne ;
The Righteous in the Grave must lie,
Princes of noble Blood must die.
- 3 The Righteous die, but shall be blest,
In Mansions of eternal Rest ;
Taken from Evils yet to come,
Peace shall attend their lasting Home.
- 4 But a vain World may justly dread,
The absence of the pious Dead ;
While awful Judgments they deplore,
Which Saints departed know no more.
- 5 They dwell in Paradise above,
Made joyful in the Beams of Love,
Secure from ev'ry painful Woe,
And safe from ev'ry cruel Foe.
- 6 Dear Lord, for Jesus sake we pray,
Save us, and turn thy Wrath away ;
Shew us how vile we all have been,
And save us from our Guilt and Sin.
- 7 Then shall we praise thy sacred Name,
And thy Salvation loud proclaim ;
Be blest in Death, and rise again
Joyful with Christ to live and reign !

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- 8 Crown'd with celestial Glories there!
And richer Pearls than Princes wear;
Shining with rays of Glory bright;
Descending from the source of Light!

LXI. *Christ the Lamb of God dying, rising,
and ascending for our Salvation.*

John i. 29.

- 1 **B**EHOLD with Wonder, view with Love,
The sacred Lamb of God above!
Who dy'd a Victim to redeem
The guilty Sons of Men from Sin.
- 2 Christ like a Lamb to slaughter led,
Was taken, and his Blood was shed;
Behold him hung upon the Tree,
Dying to set us Prison'rs free.
- 3 View him a lifeless Corps, and laid,
Within the Tomb of Death's cold Shade;
His dear Disciples mourn'd and wept
While the cold Tomb his Body kept.
- 4 Think on thy Sins, my Soul, and mourn;
Let drop thy Tears upon his Urn,
Lie bury'd with him in the Dust;
Nor yet his saving Pow'r distrust.
- 5 Behold again with vast Surprise,
And see the mighty Saviour rise?
Bursting the barriers of the Grave,
Almighty to redeem and save.

- 6 Sole Conqu'ror over Death and Hell,
He'll crush the Pow'rs that dare rebel;
But save from Sin the humble Soul,
And make the broken Spirit whole.
- 7 See this victorious Lord ascend!
Our Sov'reign, Advocate, and Friend!
Up to his Throne above the Sky!
With royal Pow'r exalted high!
- 8 Let Saints and Angels join to raise,
A new melodious Song of Praise!
To sound the Honours of his Name,
Jesus the Saviour and the Lamb!

LXII. *The humble Christian's Meditation in Affliction.*

- 1 **W**HEN thine afflicting Hand, O God of Love,
Sends thy Corrections from thy Throne above,
O let thy pitying Eye behold my Grief,
And send thy pard'ning Love for my Relief.
- 2 Submissive to thy sov'reign Will I lie,
O take me for thine own to live or die;
And if thy Mercy hath my Life decreed,
O make me run the heav'nly Race with speed.
- 3 Thy Pow'r is all-sufficient, and thy Grace
Is full of Mercy and of Righteousness,
Thy Son hath dy'd, and shed his precious
Blood,
A faithful God will make his Promise good.

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- 4 On this dear Jesus I would cast my Soul,
Who can restore my Life and make me whole;
O may I find his kind Embraces cheer,
This mortal State of Pains and Sorrows here.
- 5 Dear Lord! forgive the Sins which I have done;
I trust upon thy Righteousness alone;
O let thy Spirit dwell within my Heart,
And blessed Tokens of thy Love impart.
- 6 Then shall I patient bear thy chaf'ning Rod,
And rest my Soul upon my Saviour, God;
And when I bid this painful World adieu;
I shall have Joys transporting ever new.

LXIII. *The free Grace and complacency of
Divine Love, a Foundation for the Church
to trust in God. Luke xii. 32.*

- 1 "LET Thoughts no more distress the Mind,
" My little chosen Flock;
" Your Father God, you'll ever find,
" Is your eternal Rock.
- 2 " He gives the Kingdom to his Son,
" And all that shall embrace,
" The great Salvation now begun,
" By Sov'reign Pow'r and Grace.
- 3 " His sacred Pleasure both ordains,
" And Joys in that Decree;
" To save you from eternal Pains,
" And make you Children free.

- 4 " He makes you Heirs of Joys above,
 " Joint Heirs of future Blifs;
 " With Christ the darling of his Love,
 " And Prince of Life and Peace.
- 5 " Fear not, ye blessed Heirs of Heaven,
 " The want of earthly Good;
 " Since Christ, and all to you is giv'n
 " That's purchas'd with his Blood.
- 6 " His Grace and Spirit shall subdue
 " The reigning Pow'r of Sin;
 " Shall change the Heart, the Mind renew;
 " And make the Conscience clean.
- 7 " Your Father, God, will raise you high,
 " And seat you on his Throne,
 " Above the Regions of the Sky;
 " And take you for his own.
- 8 " Shew his complacent Friendship there,
 " Amidst his Glories bright!
 " And bring you to his Mansions, where
 " There's fulness of Delight!"

LXIV. *God the Foundation of Hope, and
 Source of Happiness.* Psalm cxlvi. 5, 6.

- 1 **H**APPY the Man whose Help is found,
 In Isra'l's God, he shall be crown'd,
 With Glory, Righteousness, and Peace,
 In Realms of everlasting Blifs.
- 2 Blest is the Man, forever blest,
 Whose Hope in God securely rest,
 In God, whose Pow'r and vast Decrees,
 Made the high Heav'ns, the Earth, and Seas.

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- 3 Who keepeth Truth; and Faithful proves
To all the happy Saints he loves;
Who makes his dreadful Threat'nings sure,
For final Sinners to endure.
- 4 The Saints who trust his Word shall find;
His Promise sure, his Mercy kind;
In Life and Death shall happy be,
And joyful in Eternity.
- 5 Great God, we own thee Lord Supreme,
The Source of ev'ry living Stream;
Make us thy Pow'r and Grace to know,
And save us from eternal Woe.
- 6 Give us Repentance, Faith and Love,
And raise our Souls to Things above;
Make us to trust in thee, and give
Ourselves to thee, by whom we live.

LXV. *Christ the Branch, the Builder of the Church, the King of Zion, and the Priest of God.* Zech. vi. 12, 13.

- 1 **BEHOLD** the Branch! the glorious Shoot!
Which sprung from David's antient Root;
Behold the Man thus typify'd;
Jesus who took our Flesh and dy'd.
- 2 But rising from the Dead again,
His Grace and Glory shall remain;
And he shall build and glorious raise,
A Temple of immortal Praise.

- 3 Sinners he will convert and save;
And give them Vict'ry o'er the Grave;
In his blest Image they shall rise,
To his fair Temple in the Skies.
- 4 Glorious upon his Throne he reigns;
Justice and Truth he e'er maintains,
And as a Priest he will atone,
For Sinners that his Kingdom own.
- 5 As royal King and glorious Priest,
He'll give his humble Follow'rs rest;
And raise them to his Seat above,
Where they shall feast upon his Love.
- 6 Counsels of Peace with him shall stand,
Establish'd by unerring Hand;
This royal Prince shall Pow'r possess,
This glorious Priest be rich in Grace.
- 7 His Kingdom ever shall endure,
His faithful Promises are sure;
And his atoning Blood shall cleanse,
The guilty Penitent from Sins.
- 8 We own thy Glories mighty Lord!
We trust upon thy faithful Word;
Save us and take us for thine own;
And raise us to thy glorious Throne.

LXVI. *Christ an Apostle, and High-Priest.*
Heb. iii. 1.

- 1 **C**ONSIDER ye that love the Lord,
Think on his wond'rous Grace;
Behold the great incarnate Word!
The Lord our Righteousness!

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- 2 The great Apostle sent from Heav'n,
To bring Salvation down;
By whom eternal Life is giv'n;
And an immortal Crown.
- 3 The great High-Priest who lives above,
But dy'd on Earth for Sin;
To manifest his wond'rous Love,
And make our Natures clean.
- 4 A Prophet so divinely Great,
Should have our highest Praise,
A Priest with Honours so compleat
Our warm Affections raise.
- 5 He is the Christ the Son of God,
And Saviour most Divine;
He sends his glorious Truth abroad,
Which Age to Age shall shine.
To thee dear Jesus we would come
And all thine Honours own;
O bring us to thy sacred Home,
And let us see thy Throne.
- 7 Then shall we sing thy Praise above,
In more exalted Strains;
And sound the Wonders of thy Love,
Thro' all the heav'nly Plains.
- 8 Where Saints and Angels both conspire,
In Love and Joy the same,
With ardent Zeal and warm Desire,
To aggrandize thy Name.

CONSIDER ye that love the Lord,
Think on his wondrous Grace;
Behold the great incarnate Word!
The Lord our Righteousness!

LXVII. *The excellent Knowledge of Christ,
the Foundation of the Apostles Preaching.*

1 Corinth, ii, 2.

- 1 **JESUS** our Lord is all Divine!
Knowledge and Wisdom in him Shine,
Tho' he was crucify'd and slain,
He ever lives to rule and reign.
- 2 To know our crucified Lord,
To know the Wonders of his Word,
Is Knowledge most Divine and high,
Reaching above the lofty Sky.
- 3 Our Lord once hung upon the Cross,
There dying to repair our Loss;
And from the Dead he rose to make,
His great Salvation most compleat.
- 4 To know his Wisdom, Pow'r, and Love,
To know his Grace that reigns above,
Is Life, and Joy, and heav'nly Bliss,
Which fills the Soul with Love and Peace.
- 5 This Paul the great Apostle knew,
Who was determin'd here to shew
The Wonders of his dying Lord;
The sacred Treasures of his Word.
- 6 To set his glorious Person forth,
To spread his Name from South to North;
To prove his Truth and Righteousness;
And shew the Riches of his Grace.

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- 7 The Wonders of his Love he spread,
In saving Sinners from the Dead;
The Vict'ry of his Death he prov'd,
As God's anointed and belov'd.
- 8 Dear Jesus, make us hear and see
The glorious Things declar'd of thee;
Then shall we know thy Grace and Pow'r,
And with immortal Praise adore.

LXVIII. *Christians risen with Christ, and seeking the Things above.* Coloss. iii. 1.

- 1 **A**RE we now risen with our Lord!
And are we dead to Sin?
Let us obey his sacred Word,
And with his Fear begin.
- 2 Regard no more our Flesh and Sense,
And vain Amusements here;
But seek the heav'nly Joys above,
And place the Affections there.
- 3 Jesus the object of our Love,
Exalted on his Throne;
Will send his Blessings from above,
And make his Mercies known.
- 4 There sits our dear exalted Head,
At God's Right-hand on high;
Whose Blood was once for Sinners shed,
But now no more can die.
- 5 Up to his Throne let us aspire,
And seek his Kingdom there;
With holy Zeal and Warm desire,
Nor of his Grace despair.

- 6 Then will he take us for his own,
And bring our Souls to rest;
Our Heads with his rich Glories crown,
And make us ever blest.

LXIX. *The Grace of Adoption thro' Faith in
in Christ.* John i. 12.

- 1 **S**UCH as in Christ believe,
And love his sacred Word,
He will with gracious Arms receive,
And make them know the Lord.
- 2 He'll free them from their Fears,
And make them Sons of God,
Entitled to be heav'nly Heirs,
By his redeeming Blood.
- 3 His Father, God, will love,
And take them for his own;
Will raise them to his Courts above,
And bring them near his Throne.
- 4 He makes them now his Care,
Beneath his Wings they shade;
The Blessings of his Love they share,
And Heirs of Bliss are made.
- 5 Yea, Heirs of Joys Divine,
And heav'n'y Glories bright;
Where sacred Love shall ever shine,
With Beams of fresh Delight.

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- 6 Dear Jesus, mould each Soul
By thy converting Grace;
Our stubborn Sins and Lusts controul,
And learn us Righteousness.
- 7 Then shall we do thy Will,
And chearfully obey,
When thou shalt all thy Grace reveal,
And lead us in thy Way.
- 8 Thus fit us Lord to be
The Heirs of heav'nly Blifs,
That we may ever dwell with thee,
In Glory, Joy, and Peace.

LXX. *Christ the promised Shepherd.*
Ezekiel xxxiv. 23.

- 1 JESUS the Shepherd is
By God's appointment made,
To lead his Sheep the Way to Blifs,
And save them from the Dead.
- 2 He calls dead Sinners home,
And makes them hear his Voice;
They to his living Pastures come,
And feeding there rejoice.
- 3 He will restore the Sheep
That wander far astray,
Bring them within his Fold, and keep
From ev'ry Beast of Prey.
- 4 With tender Care he'll heal
The Weak, and Sick, and Lame,
Take off the various Pains they feel,
And strengthen all their Frame.

- 5 The Feeble and the Young
With Gentleness he'll lead;
He'll clasp the Lambs within his Arms,
And teach them where to Feed.
- 6 Such is this Shepherd's Care,
O'er all the Flock of God;
And those that dwell within his Fold
Shall find a safe Abode.
- 7 Is this thy Care and Love?
My Jesus and my Lord!
O never suffer me to rove,
But hearken to thy Word.
- 8 Make me forever blest,
Beneath my Shepherd's Eye;
Then shall I ever be at rest,
Whatever Danger's nigh.

LXXI. *Christ bearing the Sword of Divine Justice. Zech. xiii. 7.*

- 1 **T**HUS saith the Lord, "Awake O Sword!
" And pierce the Shepherd thro';
" He shall obey my sacred Word,
" And bear my Veng'ance too.
- 2 " Against the Man, O Sword, awake,
" The Man my chief Delight;
" And on his Blood my Veng'ance take;
" I'll make his Glories bright.

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- 3 " The Shepherd for the Sheep must die,
 " To save them all from Death;
 " But I will raise him up on high,
 " And give him vital Breath.
- 4 " My dear Companion shall not lie
 " Forsaken in the Tomb;
 " I'll raise him from the Dead again,
 " And set him on my Throne.
- 5 " In him shall all my Justice shine,
 " And my rich Grace appear;
 " He shall appease my Wrath Divine,
 " And bring my Mercy near.
- 6 " Then shall my Saints with sacred Praise
 " Exalt his glorious Name;
 " And tune their Notes with heav'nly Lays
 " In Honour to the Lamb."

LXXII. *The Perfection of Christ in the Excellency of his personal Glories, and the Riches of his Grace.* Heb. i. 3.

- 1 JESUS our Saviour, how Divine!
 Who can his Worth declare?
 He in his Father's Glories shine,
 And his blest Image bear.
- 2 How excellent his Glories be!
 How worthy of our Love!
 Whose Grace is join'd with Majesty,
 Upon his Throne above!

- 3 By him the Father did create
The various Worlds he made;
His mighty Pow'r maintains their State,
Thro' each succeeding Age.
- 4 His Providence in Kindness gives
His Creatures rich Supplies;
His Mercy ev'ry Want relieves
When e'er he hears their Cries.
- 5 Such were the Riches of his Grace,
To sinful dying Men,
He dy'd to save a Mortal Race,
And give them Life again.
- 6 His Work is perfect, rich, and good,
And his Redemption given,
Was by his own most precious Blood,
The richest Gift of Heav'n.
- 7 He's risen from the Dead again,
Victorious up on high,
Exalted on his Father's Throne,
Above the lofty Sky.
- 8 Jesus, we Praise thy sacred Name!
And give ourselves to thee;
Thy Wonders we would loud proclaim,
Thro' all Eternity.

LXXIII. *Christ's Human Weakness, and Divine Pow'r.* 2 Cor. xiii. 4.

1 **W**HAT condescending Grace!
The Son of God has shown!
To save the Sinners of our Race,
And bring rich Mercy down,

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- 2 From Heav'n's high Throne he came,
To visit our Abode;
All Praises to the sacred Name,
Of our incarnate God.
- 3 In human Flesh he bore
Variety of Grief;
His Flesh was stain'd with Purple Gore,
He dy'd for our Relief.
- 4 He took our Mortal Breath,
Put Human Weakness on;
But thro' his Sufferings and Death
The glorious Vict'ry won.
- 5 Tho' in the Tomb he lay,
He could not there remain;
But on the Third appointed Day,
He rose to Life again.
- 6 Jesus but dy'd to live,
And mount his Throne on high;
And Life to others he shall give.
When Death itself shall die.
- 7 Victorious Lord thy Pow'r!
Can make us Conqu'rors too;
And give us Life to die no more,
Secure from ev'ry Woe.
- 8 O may we live to thee,
And be forever thine;
That thro' a long Eternity
We may in Glory shine,

LXXIV. *The Impossibility of the Saint's separation from the Love of God in Christ Jesus.*

Rom. viii. 38, 39.

- 1 **N**OTHING can separate the Saints
From God's unchanging Love;
He'll hear their Sorrows and Complaints,
And all their Griefs remove.
- 2 Tho' Death may separate the Soul,
From human Flesh and Blood;
He cannot break the Cords of Love,
That draw the Soul to God.
- 3 Tho' Life with all its busy Cares,
May lead the Soul astray;
Yet God will break its various Snares,
Nor turn his Love away.
- 4 Should fallen Angels use their Spite
To break this Love Divine;
Yet shall the Saints in God delight,
And in his Glory shine.
- 5 When Principalities and Pow'rs
With all their Might controul,
Blessings of Love, in plenteous Show'rs,
Refresh the holy Soul.
- 6 Nor present Griefs or future Woes,
Can turn this Love away;
The Souls that God in Mercy chose
Shall reach eternal Day.

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- 7 Nor Height, or Depth, or any Thing,
Can turn this Love aside;
Which flows from God, an endless Spring
That shall forever glide.
- 8 The Love of God in Christ is sure,
Which nothing can destroy;
His Love to Saints shall yet endure,
And give them endless Joy.

LXXV. *The Hope of Righteousness thro'*
Faith in Christ. Gal. v. 5.

- 1 **H**OW infinite the Grace
Of our offended Lord!
To Sinners of a Mortal Race,
Who hear his sacred Word.
- 2 He sent his Son from Heav'n,
To make his Mercy known;
Thro' whom his pard'ning Love is giv'n,
With Honour to his Throne.
- 3 He sent his Son to die,
And loose his vital Breath,
That Sinners to his Cross might fly,
And be secure from Death.
- 4 His perfect Righteousness
Those Souls shall justify,
That love his glorious Holiness,
And on his Grace rely.
- 5 Such is the glorious Hope
The blessed Gospel gives,
We wait for Blessings yet to come.
Where Christ forever lives.

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- 6 By Faith in Christ our Lord
We bring these Blessings near;
And while we read his sacred Word,
Enjoy his Comforts here.
- 7 His Spirit seals his Love,
And makes us know his Grace;
Till we shall rise to Joys above,
Within his sacred Place.
- 8 Such Hope, and Faith, and Joy,
Dear Lord on us bestow;
And Praise shall constantly employ
Our feeble Accents now.

XXVI. *Christ's Resurrection the Christian's Life.* John xiv. 19.

- 1 JESUS the royal Saviour came,
For us he took a mortal Frame;
With tortur'd Limbs and wounded Side;
For us he suffer'd, bled, and dy'd.
- 2 When dead he had our Ransom paid,
His Body in the Tomb was laid;
But with full Conquest he arose,
Victorious over all his Foes.
- 3 'Twas for our Sins our Lord was slain,
That we might live, he rose again;
Behold he lives, no more to die,
But take his Throne above the Sky.

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- 4 Thus saith our dearest Lord, "I live,
 "To you eternal Life I'll give;
 "Nor Death or Hell can e'er withstand,
 "The Pow'r of mine all-conqu'ring Hand.
- 5 "Up to my Father I ascend,
 "Your reconciled God and Friend;
 "Because I live forever there,
 "You shall with me in Glory share."
- 6 Shall we thus live, O dearest Lord!
 Is this the Promise of thy Word?
 We would commit ourselves to thee,
 For Time and for Eternity.

LXXVII. *The Hope of future Glory,
 afflicted and dying Christian's Comfort.*
 2 Cor. iv. 16, 17, 18.

- 1 **W**HAT tho' the Saint be tried now,
 And Death presents his cruel Brow,
 Supported by his ris'n Lord,
 He shall not Faint, but trust his Word.
- 2 What tho' his outward Man decays,
 And waste away his Mortal Days;
 Tir'd with Afflictions, Grief, and Pains,
 Toss'd with Temptations, gall'd with Chains.
- 3 Yet shall his inward Man renew,
 Fresh Vigour and fresh Comfort too;
 By Faith in Christ he views on high
 The Joys of Immortality.

- 4 Supported by this Hope of Joy,
Eternal Things his Thoughts employ;
And all his loads of Sorrow here,
But momentary Lightness bear.
- 5 These light Afflictions, which endure
But for a momentary Hour,
Shall crown the Saints immortal state,
With Glories of exceeding Weight.
- 6 Till then his pious Thoughts shall rise,
Up to the Realms above the Skies!
And solace on the Joys above;
Where he has fix'd his warmest Love.
- 7 Let us dear Lord, by Faith ascend,
That when this painful Life shall end,
We may immortal Bliss possess,
Where Saints enjoy thy richest Grace.
- 8 There may we ever live with thee,
From Pain and Death forever free;
And crown'd with Glory from thy Throne,
Thy Love in endless Praises own.

LXXVIII. *Exhortation to put on the Graces of Christ.* Rom. xiii. 14.

- 1 SHAKE off the Man of Sin and Death,
Let Satan reign no more;
In Pray'r and Praises spend your Breath,
And Christ the Lord adore.

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- 2 Come to that Jesus who can save,
And ransom Souls condemn'd;
Who rose a Conqu'ror o'er the Grave,
For all that he redeem'd.
- 3 Put on his Graces, let them shine
In Meekness, Peace, and Love;
His Gifts and Graces are Divine,
Descending from above.
- 4 Be holy, pure, and humble here,
With Truth and Righteousness;
As Jesus did on Earth appear,
For such our God will bless.
- 5 Put far away your Follies now,
Let them no more be known;
But at his sacred Footstool bow,
And worship at his Throne.
- 6 So shall you prove your heav'nly Birth,
And shew your Faith and Love;
While you remain upon the Earth,
And rise to Joy above.

LXXIX. *The Sinner once in Darknefs now
walking in the Light of the Lord.*
Ephes. v. 8.

1. **H**OW dreadful is our state of Sin!
Impure, unholy, and unclean;
Ign'rance and Darknefs veils the Mind,
Satan and Sin has struck it Blind.

- 2 Satan, the Prince of Darkneſs, holds
In captive Chains deluded Souls,
Which by his Artifice are led,
Down to the regions of the Dead.
- 3 But when the Pow'r of Love Divine
Caufes bright Rays of Grace to ſhine,
The Sinner's Mind is brought to ſee
What Tyrants Sin and Satan be.
- 4 Strength'n'd by Grace he burſts his Chains,
And Freedom from his Sin obtains ;
Nor will he yield to Satan more,
Or walk the Path he did before.
- 5 Led by the Spirit of the Lord,
And guided by his ſacred Word,
He'll take the Path of Life, and go
Free from the ſlav'ry of his Foe.
- 6 He'll walk in the meridian Rays
Of heav'nly Light, with ſacred Praise ;
And mount upon the Wings of Love
To the bright Realms of Joy above.
- 7 Thus let our Souls, dear Lord, aſcend
To thee our Father, and our Friend ;
And make our Souls obedient prove,
To thy Divine Commands of Love.
- 8 Make us as Children of the Light,
To walk with Honour in thy Sight,
In the pure Paths of Holineſs,
Which lead to everlaſting Blifs.

LXXX. *Christ's Intercession for all the Saints.*
John xvii. 20.

- 1 JESUS we bless thy sacred Name,
The Son, the Saviour, and the Lamb;
Who left the Realms of Bliss on high,
And sanctify'd thyself to die.
- 2 Thou art the great High-Priest alone,
Whose Blood can perfectly atone;
Thou by thine interceding Pray'r,
Can'st save the Subjects of thy Care.
- 3 Such is thy vast extensive Grace,
So perfect is thy Righteousness,
And all-sufficient is thy Blood,
To reconcile our Souls to God.
- 4 Thine Intercession Lord shall make
The Blessings of thy Grace compleat;
To all that love thy Gospel now,
And at thy sacred Footstool bow.
- 5 Dear Jesus, let our Hearts unite,
To make thy Glories our Delight;
And let thine interceding Breath,
Plead with our God for pard'ning Grace.
- 6 Then shall our guilty Souls be sav'd,
From Mis'ries we shall be reliev'd;
And Heav'n's eternal Songs shall raise
Loud Anthems of immortal Praise.

LXXXI. *Christians following Christ through
Sufferings and Reproaches.*
Heb. xiii. 12, 13.

- 1 JESUS, our dear incarnate God,
Who dwelt a while with Men;
To sanctify them with his Blood,
Without the Gate was slain.
- 2 His Cross was plac'd on Calvery,
The Mount of Shame and Death;
For there our Saviour was to die,
And loose his vital Breath.
- 3 He dy'd without Jerusalem,
For Jews and Gentiles too;
That so he might deliver them
From everlasting Woe.
- 4 And did our blessed Lord endure
Reproach and Shame, and Pain,
That he might pard'ning Grace secure,
And Heav'n for us obtain?
- 5 Then let us follow as he leads,
Altho' he calls us where,
Without the Gate, without the Camp,
We must Reproaches bear.
- 6 He who despis'd Reproach and Shame,
When on the Cross he hung,
Will give us Vict'ry thro' his Name,
And make his Praise our Song.

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- 7 Dear Lord, what e'er Reproach we meet,
Or Dangers fill the Way,
We'll joyful come up to thy Seat,
To find eternal Day.
- 8 While in this Wilderness we rove,
Far from thy blest Abode,
We'll fly upon the Wings of Love,
Till we shall see our God.

LXXXII. *The Saint's Love and Knowledge of
God united.* 1 Cor. viii. 3.

- 1 **T**HE Man who truly knows the Lord,
Loves to obey his sacred Word;
He knows the God he worships now,
And will before his Footstool bow.
- 2 He loves his holy Nature so
That he would fain be Holy too;
His vast Perfections he admires,
And seeks his Love with strong Desires.
- 3 His Knowledge and his Love unite;
With sacred Pleasure and Delight
He will his Lord's Command obey,
And walk within his holy Way.
- 4 Guided by Reason in his Love,
And mov'd by Influence from above,
He knows and fears, and loves the Lord;
Obeys and honours all his Word.

- 5 He loves the holy Souls that bear
A Likeness to his Nature here ;
He loves to do them good, and bless
The God of Love, the God of Grace.
- 6 The Man that loves the Lord shall know
The Wonders of his Mercy now ;
And in the World to come possess,
The Glories of immortal Bliss.

LXXXIII. *The Gentiles saved by Trust in
Christ.* St. Matth. xii. 21.

- 1 JESUS the Son of God most high
Descended from the lofty Sky ;
And left the bright Abodes above,
To manifest his Grace and Love.
- 2 Jesus, the blest incarnate Word,
The King of Kings and sov'reign Lord,
Took on him human Flesh, and bore
Those Agonies unknown before.
- 3 This Jesus saves the Souls of Men,
Restores their Souls to Life again ;
Redeems them from their Sin and Woe,
And fits them for his Glory too.
- 4 In him shall humble Sinners find,
A Saviour merciful and kind ;
Whose Love and Grace is rich and free ;
Whose Truth and Righteousness agree.
- 5 In him the Jews and Gentiles trust,
Who is a Saviour wise and just ;
And thro' his Name they shall obtain
Freedom from Sin, Relief from Pain.

90 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

- 6 The Gentile Nations, Heathen Lands,
Shall yet obey his sweet Commands;
And barb'rous Nations hear his Fame,
And love the Honours of his Name.

LXXXIV. *God's Judgment upon the Enemies
of his Church.* Ezek. xxv. 5, 6, 7.

For the 5th of NOVEMBER.

- 1 **H**EATHENS and Sons of Malice join,
Against the Saints their Pow'rs combine;
Insults of Triumph they proclaim,
Against the Follow'rs of the Lamb.
- 2 But God who sees the prided boast
Of all this vain deluded Host,
Will from his dread majestic Throne,
Make his destructive Veng'ance known.
- 3 His stretch'd Arm, and lifted Hand,
Will strike his Terrors thro' the Land,
That disobey his Sov'reign Will,
And dare oppose his Kingdom still.
- 4 Because they thus provoke his Rod,
And dare resist the Almighty God,
He'll pierce their Hearts of Steel, and shew
What his Almighty Pow'r can do.
- 5 He will protect his chosen Race,
And manifest his Sov'reign Grace;
In vain the Foes of Earth or Hell
Against his Kingdom dare rebel,

- 6 Ifr'el has known his mighty Pow'r,
Britain has seen the happy Hour,
When strong invading Foes have found
His Veng'ance struck them to the Ground.
- 7 Let Praises dwell upon our Tongues,
Salvation animate our Songs,
And join ye Angels in our Joys,
Whom Praise eternally employs.
- 8 That we at length may join with you,
In Songs and Praises ever New;
Before that glorious Throne above,
Where Saints and Angels Praise and Love.

LXXXV *The Saints future Satisfaction in
the likeness of God. Psalm xvii. 15.*

- 1 **T**HIS world of Sin can never make
The Happiness of Man compleat;
And here the Saint can never find,
Full Satisfaction to his Mind.
- 2 The various Scenes of Life below,
No true Enjoyment ever know;
No lasting Home, no certain rest,
Can here remain secure and blest.
- 3 But Saints who truly love the Lord
With Faith and Trust upon his Word,
Have Confidence of Hope to come,
When they shall find a lasting Home.

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- 4 Altho' their Mortal Frames decay,
And must dissolve with Earth and Clay,
And long their sleeping Dust remains,
While Death and Darknes o'er them reigns.
- 5 Yet when the Trumpet's solemn Sound
Shall burst the barriers of the Ground,
Then the blest Morn shall joyful rise,
When from their Graves they'll mount the
Skies.
- 6 When in their Saviour's Image made,
They shall be glorious like their Head,
And in his likeness satisfy'd,
In Seats of Honour by his Side.
- 7 Great God when shall the Day draw near,
That we shall wake and rise t' appear,
With all the Saints before thy Throne,
Where thy vast Works of Grace are known?
- 8 Where thy redeemed Sons shall shine,
In the bright Rays of Love Divine,
And fill'd with thy Perfections there,
Shall in the Joys of Angels share.

LXXXVI. *The blessedness of the People that
know the joyful sound of the Gospel.*
Psalm lxxxix. 15.

BLEST are the People whom the Lord
With Mercy will surround;
Who hear the Trumpet of his Word,
And know the joyful Sound.

- 2 The weary Captive groans no more
Beneath his heavy Load ;
The Pris'ner freed from Chains, adore
His mighty Saviour God.
- 3 The Criminal condemn'd to die
Free Pardon shall obtain ;
Th' oppress'd no more in Dust shall lie,
But glorious Vict'ry gain.
- 4 The lost bewilder'd Wand'rer finds
The surest Guide to rest ;
And broken Hearts and contrite Minds
With inward Peace are blest.
- 5 Happy the Souls the Gospel know,
And by Experience prove
What Wonders Sov'reign Grace can do,
And what redeeming Love.
- 6 Pardon and Peace and Life are giv'n,
To Souls by Sin undone ;
Their glorious Hopes are rais'd to Heav'n
By God's incarnate Son.
- 7 Who his own Life a Ransom gave,
And shed his vital Blood,
Vile Sinners to redeem and save,
And bring them home to God.
- 8 The joyful sound of pard'ning Grace,
How charming to the Ear ;
Angels and Men, of ev'ry Race,
With Praise and Wonder hear !
- 9 The pleasing Accents of this Voice
Pronounce Ten Thousand Charms !
To make the Sinner's Heart rejoice,
Clasp'd in his Saviour's Arms.

LXXXVII. *The spiritual Nature and true worship of God.* John iv. 24.

- 1 GOD is a Spirit just and pure,
Most holy, good, and wise;
His Word is true, his Promise sure,
Who dwells above the Skies.
- 2 Free from all Matter, Shapes, and Forms,
He Self-existent lives;
To Angels, Men, and Beasts, and Worms,
He Life and Being gives.
- 3 His vast Perfections can't be known
With comprehensive View;
The Wonders of his Ways are shown
In Glories ever New.
- 4 To him our Homage must be paid,
In Spirit, Truth, and Love;
For only such shall be convey'd
To his high Court above.
- 5 Symbols and Forms, and Idol Shapes
Do but disgrace his Name;
And all such Worshippers are doom'd
To perish in their Shame.
- 6 Lord, teach us so to worship thee,
In Truth and Love sincere,
That we may thy rich Glories see,
And to thy Throne draw near.

LXXXVIII. *The Purchase of Redemption by
Christ, a Reason for our devotedness to God.*

I Cor. vi. 20.

- 1 **L**ET ev'ry Tongue rehearse
The Wonders God has wrought,
And sing in most exalted Verse,
The Purchase Christ has bought.
- 2 Such is the Father's Love,
He sent his only Son,
Descending from the Realms above,
To Sinners lost, undone.
- 3 Such is the Grace he shews
To sinful Men below,
With them his Cov'nant he renews,
To them his Wonders show.
- 4 What Love and Mercy shines
In Jesus on the Cross;
Beheld as dying for our Crimes,
And bearing all our Loss.
- 5 He shed his precious Blood
And full Redemption paid;
To reconcile our Souls to God
On this Foundation laid,
- 6 Such Love! our Tunes should raise
In Glory to his Name;
And fill the remnant of our Days
In Praises to the Lamb.

96 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

- 7 Lord, make us bow to thee,
And with obedient Breath,
Adore thy glorious Majesty
In Life, and after Death.
- 8 Our Bodies and our Souls
Be Lord forever thine;
Long as the Frame of Nature holds
Or heav'nly Glories shine.

LXXXIX. *A Sight of God making the Saint
humble. Job xlii. 5, 6.*

- 1 **O**F'T with my Ears I've heard of God,
Who spread the vast expanse abroad,
Whose Wisdom, Majesty, and Pow'r,
Angels admire, and Saints adore.
- 2 To me his Wonders have been told,
Whose Pow'r by none can be controul'd;
His Grace and Love has reach'd mine Ears,
To calm my Griets, remove my Fears.
- 3 Yet have I heard almost in vain,
And let my Ign'rance still remain,
Till God himself enlarg'd my Sight,
And made me see his glorious Light.
- 4 When I behold his Glories nigh,
And view his awful Majesty,
His Greatness strikes my Mind with awe,
And makes me fear his righteous Law.
- 5 I see my Nothingness with Shame,
Whilst I adore and praise his Name,
And prostrate at his Footstool lie,
As One who there deserves to die,

- 6 With deep Contrition in mine Heart,
I see my Sins and feel the Smart;
I plead his Mercy and implore,
That I may live and sin no more.
- 7 Lord, make me all thy Greatness see,
And turn my Heart and Soul to thee;
May I not only hear but know,
Thy Pow'r, thy Grace, and Wisdom too.
- 8 Up to thy Throne above the Sky
My willing Soul would mount and fly;
That with the holy Saints above,
I may behold, admire, and love!

XC. *The Gospel Dispensation a Time of
Acceptance.* 2 Cor. vi. 2.

- 1 **BEHOLD** the Time, th' accepted Time,
That Sinners may draw near to God;
Now does his great Salvation shine,
And now he sends his Truth abroad.
- 2 Now is the Day of Grace to Men,
Now is the joyful precious Hour,
When Souls that turn to God again,
May find his saving Love and Pow'r.
- 3 Let Infant Tongues their Maker Praise,
And glorify the Saviour's Name;
Let Youth devote their early Days
To sing the Praises of the Lamb.

98 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

- 4 Nor let the Aged now forget
The Blessings of the Gospel State,
Lest they be pain'd with sad Regret,
And find their remnant Hours too late.
- 5 Now is the Time while Life is giv'n,
Before the solemn Periods come,
When Death and Judgment shall pronounce,
The Soul's unalterable Doom.
- 6 Now is the only Day of Hope
For Sinners lost, enslav'd, undone;
Now is the Time that Jesus calls,
Jesus, God's own incarnate Son.
- 7 We bless thee, Lord, that thou should'st give
To sinful Sons of Men below,
Such an accepted Time to live,
Such a bright Day of Grace to know.
- 8 O may we now secure that Bliss,
Which shall be crown'd with Joys unknown,
That we may dwell where Jesus is,
And join with Angels round thy Throne.
- 9 Then shall our joyful Souls rehearse
The Wonders of redeeming Love,
And sing in new exalted Verse
Thine everlasting Praise above.

XCI. *The important Question, Am I in Christ?
examined by the Christian.* 2 Cor. xiii. v.

- 1 **E**XAMINE well my Soul and see,
What Grace thy God bestows on thee;
Enquire, and search thine Heart to know,
Whether thou art in Christ or no.

- 2 God hath reveal'd his wond'rous Grace,
His pard'ning Love, his Righteousness;
Have I repented of my Sin?
And sought his Grace to make me clean.
- 3 Is Sin my Burden and my Grief?
And have I found Divine Relief,
From Sin and Satan's cruel Reign,
To serve and love my God again?
- 4 Jesus to save me shed his Blood,
And in the Place of Veng'ance stood;
Have I believed in his Name?
And giv'n myself to Christ the Lamb?
- 5 The holy Spirit of the Lord
Descends to bless his sacred Word;
Am I renewed by his Grace,
And led in Paths of Righteousness?
- 6 There's none but holy Souls are blest,
With Mansions of eternal Rest;
Does Holiness upon me shine?
And can I say, my God is mine.

XCII. *The Saint's Pilgrimage thro' this Wilderness State.* Psalm cxix. 19.

- 1 LORD, I'm a Stranger in the Earth,
A Pilgrim and unknown;
O guide me in the way of Bliss,
And lead me to thy Throne.

100 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

- 2 The Enemy around me stand
And gaze with scornful Hate ;
Forbid my Passage thro' the Land
To Zion's heav'nly Gate.
- 3 Ten Thousand Dangers fill the Way,
And Thorns obstruct the Road,
Which leads to the bright Realms of Day
Where I would dwell with God.
- 4 The Lion with his dreadful Roar,
Affrights my feeble Soul ;
But Lord thy Mercy I implore,
While Troubles cross me roll.
- 5 My Sins, my Lusts 'gainst me rebell,
To lead my Soul astray,
In Paths that turn aside to Hell
In some forbidden Way.
- 6 Afflictions, Pains, and Griefs, oppress
My weary Spirit down ;
How shall I run the Christian Race
And win the heav'nly Crown ?
- 7 Shew me the Way my Feet should go,
O guide me by thy Word ;
Give me thy Spirit, make me know
The Statutes of my Lord.
- 8 Then shall I pass with Vigour thro'
This Land of Sin and Death,
And feel no more the Grief and Woe
Of Mortal dying-Breath.

XCIH. *The Saint's Confidence in God as the
Tower of his Defence.* Prov. xviii. 10.

- 1 **G**OD is the Tow'r of my Defence,
In him I will confide;
He is the Bulwark of my Strength,
And Refuge where I hide.
- 2 His Wisdom guides me in my Way,
His Counsels teach me Skill;
Nor shall I wander far astray
While I perform his Will.
- 3 His Pow'r supports me in Distress,
And guards me from my Foes,
Whilst I pass thro' this Wilderness
Of Sorrows, and of Woes.
- 4 Whate'er Afflictions set me round,
Or Dangers fill the Way,
He'll set my Feet on solid Ground
And be my constant Stay.
- 5 Should Sin and Satan dare invade
My Peace and Comfort here,
He'll shelter me beneath his Shade
Nor shall I yield to Fear.
- 6 His Goodness will surround me still,
His Grace my Comfort prove;
He'll bring me to his heav'nly Hill,
And manifest his Love.
- 7 Whilst I pass thro' this vale of Tears
He'll be my constant Guide;
And 'midst the rounds of Grievs and Cares
Extend his Mercy wide!

102 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

- 8 With joyful Haste I'll run and flee
To his Pavilion now,
So shall I gain the Victory
Whilst at his Throne I bow.

XCIV. *The Saint recovered from great Affliction, praising God with devotedness to him.*
Psalm cxviii. 18, 19.

OCCASIONED BY A SINGULAR INSTANCE
OF RECOVERY IN A NEAR RELATION
FROM A BURNING FEVER.

- 1 " **T**HY chaf'nings Lord have press'd me
fore,
" Thine Hand I own, thy Name adore ;
" Thou mad'st my Life thy Charge and Care,
" Thou heardst the Cries of humble Pray'r.
- 2 " My Life drew near the gaping Grave,
" When God stretch'd forth his Arm to save,
" Remov'd my Pains, and rais'd mine Head
" Above the Mansions of the Dead.
- 3 " When God with healing Balm returns,
" No more the raging Fever burns ;
" No Pains or Sickness can molest,
" Nor keen Sensation tear the Breast.
- 4 " I own thy Goodness, mighty Lord,
" Who hath my wasting Life restor'd ;
" Not all that Mortals know or do,
" Could thus my Life and Health renew.

- 5 " Thanks to my God for human Skill,
 " In all that Medicines fulfil,
 " Whilst I adore his Name and own,
 " Their Virtue comes from him alone.
- 6 " Lord thy Salvation is my Song,
 " Thy Praise shall dwell upon my Tongue ;
 " Let Saints that hear the Notes I raise,
 " Unite their Voices in thy Praise.
- 7 " My God, I give myself to thee,
 " Who from Affliction set me free ;
 " Witness ye Saints, to God I vow,
 " And at his sacred Footstool bow.
- 8 " Great God, my Life to thee I give,
 " To thee devoted whilst I live ;
 " And when this Mortal Frame must die,
 " Receive me, Lord, to Realms on high.
- 9 " Be thou my Portion, make me blest
 " In Mansions of immortal Rest ;
 " Where free from Sorrow I shall be,
 " Joyful my God, my Life in thee."

XCV. *The sealing of the Spirit unto the Day
 of Redemption.* Ephes. iv. 30.

I **B**EHOLD the great Redeemer comes,
 When all the Saints shall quit their
 Tombs ;
 Their Dust redeem'd by Christ shall rise,
 To his blest Mansions in the Skies !

104 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

- 2 This is the great Redemption Day!
When Christ (who did the Ransom pay)
Shall set each Saint forever free,
From Sin and Death's captivity.
- 3 The Saints redeem'd by Christ are known,
Mark'd by his Spirit for his own,
Who seals them by his Graces giv'n,
And fits them for the Joys of Heav'n.
- 4 O may the Spirit's Seal impress'd,
Upon my Heart, upon my Breast,
Mark me for God, and set me free
From Sin and Satan's Tyranny.
- 5 O may I ne'er the Spirit grieve,
But every Sin and Folly leave;
Then will he dwell within my Heart,
And Life and Joy to me impart.
- 6 Then will he fix his sealing Grace,
Which Earth and Worms can ne'er erase;
For tho' my Body turns to Dust,
'Twill rise and stand among the Just.

XCVI. *The Apostles and Ministers of Christ
persuading Sinners by the Terror of the Lord.*

2 Cor. v. 11.

- 1 **O**UR God, how dreadful is his Wrath!
Who can his Terrors bear?
His Veng'ance shakes the solid Earth!
And Rocks and Mountains tear?

- 2 How dreadful to the Soul undone !
That must his Veng'ance feel ;
Condemn'd before his glorious Throne,
And banish'd down to Hell.
- 3 That World of Mis'ry, Wrath, and Woe,
Where Torment never cease ;
And where Apostate, Angels know
The Loss of heav'nly Bliss.
- 4 Knowing these Terrors of the Lord,
Our Hearts within us burn ;
And we persuade with strong Desire
That Sinners may return.
- 5 We warn them of the Wrath to come
And all their Dangers show,
That they may 'scape this dreadful Doom,
And never feel this Woe.
- 6 Sinners behold an angry God,
With most alarming Fear ;
And whilst you dread his awful Rod,
His sov'reign Mercy hear.
- 7 Fly to the Saviour, in him trust,
And make your humble Pray'r ;
That God the holy, wise, and just,
May make your Lives his Care.
- 8 May give you Pardon thro' his Son,
And all your Guilt remove ;
May bring you near his gracious Throne,
Where Wrath is turn'd to Love.

XCVII. *The Grace of God the Father in drawing Sinners to Christ, desired.* John vi. 44.

- 1 **D**RAW us, O Lord, and we shall come,
O fit us for thy heav'nly Home;
We own our Folly, Sin, and Shame,
O make us fear thy glorious Name.
- 2 Shew us how vile our Natures be,
Make us obedient Lord to thee,
Teach us thy Will, and make us know
The Path in which our Feet should go.
- 3 Give us Repentance, Faith, and Love,
Our Loads of Sin and Guilt remove,
Make us Partakers of thy Grace,
Lead us in Ways of Righteousness.
- 4 Bring us to Christ who shed his Blood,
When in the Place of Wrath he stood,
To purchase Life for sinful Men,
And bring them to their God again.
- 5 On him we rest, on him rely,
Who condescended thus to die;
Who rose victorious from the Dead,
And Sin and Satan captive led.
- 6 We trust in him for pard'ning Grace,
For Life, and Peace, and Righteousness,
Who from the Dead the Saints will raise,
And fit them for immortal Praise.

XCVIII. *Divine Grace the Foundation of
Conversion, signified in the Case of Lydia,
Whose Heart the Lord opened to receive
the Gospel. Acts xvi. 14.*

- 1 **H**APPY awaken'd Sinners now,
Whose Hearts are truly set,
Like Lydia's (open'd by the Lord)
To seek for Zion's Gate.
- 2 Who, influenc'd by converting Grace,
Shall give a list'ning Ear;
And with Delight attend the Place
Where Love Divine they hear.
- 3 They shall receive the Word of Love,
And find a sweet Relief;
And Grace, descending from above,
Shall take away their Grief.
- 4 They shall enjoy that Peace within
Which calms the raging Flood;
Be purify'd and wash'd from Sin,
In Jesus cleansing Blood.
- 5 Open our Hearts, O God of Pow'r,
Thus to receive thy Word;
Then shall we all thy Name adore,
And magnify the Lord.
- 6 May we like Lydia hear, and Live
A Life of Faith and Love;
To us thine Ho'y Spirit give
And make us faithful prove.

108 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

- 7 That we may see, and hear, and know,
The Riches of thy Grace;
And be prepared here below
For some celestial Place.
- 8 Where we shall see our God and King,
And know his Glories more;
Shall his high Praises ever sing
And Christ the Lamb adore.

XCIX. *Christ's Power superior to Satan's.*
1 John iv. 4.

- 1 **S**ATAN, th' apostate Angel, fled
From Heav'ns high Realms with awful
Has still a strong permissive Pow'r, [dread,
And whom he can he will devour.
- 2 Like a fierce Dragon swift he flies,
With cruel Fury in his Eyes;
With subt'le Malice sharp he stings,
Disease and Death his Venom brings.
- 3 Like the fierce Lion far he roams,
With dreadful Roar he Rages and Foams,
Thro' all the Hours of Night and Day,
Seeking to grasp his hunted Prey.
- 4 His Malice and his Pow'r is great,
But Christ shall all his Forces break;
Judah's strong Lion shall prevail,
And cause his Pow'r and Strength to fail.

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- 5 He fatal bruis'd the Serpent's Head,
When on the Cross his Blood was shed;
And rising Conqu'ror o'er the Tomb,
Dreadful he made the Serpent's Doom.
- 6 Rejoice, O Christian, for your Lord
Will slay the Dragon with his Sword;
Will set you free, and make you blest,
With everlasting Peace and Rest.

C. *Pressing forward in the Christian Race to
obtain the glorious Prize. Phil. iii. 14,*

- 1 **H**ARK! what the Word of Christ pro-
claims,
Of Life and Peace in noblest strains,
To Sinners of a Mortal Race,
With vast Compassion, Love, and Grace.
- 2 He calls us forth to run the Way
That leads to everlasting Day;
He marks the Paths our Feet should go,
To 'scape from Satan, Sin, and Woe.
- 3 Repentance, Faith, and Love, shall gain
The glorious Triumph thro' the Plain,
And reach the Goal, and win the Prize,
Enrich'd with Glories from the Skies.
- 4 Repentance throws off ev'ry Weight
That keeps us from the heav'nly Gate;
And Faith the Prize with Joy reviews,
Whilst Love with eager Haste pur-
sues.

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- 5 Jesus with all his Glories bright,
Is the sweet Object of Delight,
With Crowns of Righteousness and Peace,
Within his glorious Realms of Bliss.
- 6 Then let us pass through all the Croud,
And raise the Voice of Triumph loud,
With strong Desires to reach the Place,
Where Saints are crown'd with Righteousness.

CI. *The awaken'd Sinner enquiring the Way of Salvation. Acts xvi. 30.*

- 1 **T**HUS saith the awak'ned Sinner now,
(Who see's his state of Sin,)
 - "How shall I stand before the Lord,
"So vile as I have been?
- 2 "What shall I do, that God may save
"My guilty Soul from Death?
"Might I but dare his Mercy crave,
"In Pray'r I'd spend my Breath.
- 3 "I've broke his Laws, despis'd his Grace,
"And disobey'd his Will,
"How shall I 'scape the dreadful Place
"Where Souls his Veng'ance feel!
- 4 "I'm sinful, weak, and helpless too,
"A worthless guilty Worm;
"O what can such a Creature do
"To stand the fiery Storm?
- 5 "Is there no Way of Rest and Peace,
"Where I can Mercy see;
"No Saviour, no atoning Priest,
"To whom my Soul can flee.

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- 6 " My Sighs and Tears should have no end
 " If thence I could but find,
 " My angry God became my Friend,
 " And left his Wrath behind.
- 7 " But sure I hear some charming Sound !
 " That God's own Son will save,
 " Will heal the Sinner's dreadful Wound,
 " And raise him from the Grave.
- 8 " If so, to him my Soul would fly,
 " And plead his pard'ning Love ;
 " My Cries shall reach the farthest Sky,
 " Nor shall from thence remove."

CII. *Faith in Christ the Way of Salvation to guilty Sinners.* Acts xvi. 31.

- 1 **W**HERE shall the guilty Sinner find
 Pardon of Sin and Peace of Mind?
 Where shall the guilty Soul have rest,
 And be with pard'ning Mercy blest ?
- 2 Thro' Faith in Jesus Christ the Lord,
 And strict Obedience to his Word,
 The Sinner shall his Love obtain,
 And be restor'd to Life again.
- 3 God sent his only Son from Heav'n,
 Thro' him his pard'ning Love is giv'n,
 Sinners who on his Name believe,
 Shall his rich Grace and Love receive.

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- 4 Thus saith the Word of Peace and Love,
Sent down to Sinners from above,
" Believe in Christ and he shall save,
" From Sin, from Satan, and the Grave.
- 5 " Harken ye Sinners and attend,
" To Christ your Saviour and your Friend;
" He gave his Life and shed his Blood,
" To bring you Sinners near to God.
- 6 " He made his Righteousness compleat,
" To bring you near his glorious Seat,
" He interceeds above the Sky,
" To raise you to his Throne on high."
- 7 Are these the Words of pard'ning Grace,
To Sinners of a Mortal Race?
O give us Faith, dear Lord, and show
The Tokens of thy Mercy now.
- 8 Save us from Wrath, and make us blest,
In Realms of everlasting Rest;
Then shall our Souls in transport Praise,
Thy glorious Name in heav'nly Lays.

CIII. *The Dresser of the Vineyard's Petition
for the barren Fig-tree, or Prayer for
sparing Mercy. Luke xiii. 8.*

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- I **T**HOU, Lord, (who mad'st the Earth and
Skies)
Causest the Morning Sun to rise,
Bringeth the Evening of the Day,
And send'st our fleeting Years away.

- 2 The Sun withdraws at thy Command,
And Darkness overspreads the Land;
But he returns again to shew,
The Hours and Days and Years anew.
- 3 Dear Lord, on thee our Lives depend,
Whose kind Compassions have no end;
But we are Mortal, and must die
When e'er thine awful Summons fly.
- 4 The Hours of Life already gone,
Were giv'n us by thy Grace alone;
O spare us still, and make us see
What Duties, Lord, we owe to thee.
- 5 O suffer not this barren Root,
To bring forth Leaves instead of Fruit;
But cultivated by thy Care,
May we bear Fruit both large and fair.
- 6 Make young and tender Plants to grow,
To Bud and Blossom White as Snow;
So shall the tender Branches yield,
And make thy Church a fruitful Field.
- 7 Clear from each Root the noxious Weeds,
Preserve the Ground from poisonous Seeds;
Enrich the barren Soil below,
And make each Branch a fruitful Bough.
- 8 Then shall thy glorious Name be known,
The Wonders of thy Grace be shown;
Sucklings and Babes shall sound thy Praise,
And Saints their Hallelujah's raise.

CIV. *The Establishment of Christ's Throne,
and the Righteousness of his Kingdom.*

Psaln xlv. 6.

- 1 **T**HY Throne, O God, forever stands,
Establish'd by eternal Hands,
So long as Heav'n it shall endure,
Glorious, immoveable, and sure,
- 2 Thy Sceptre, Lord, is Righteousness,
And rich and glorious is thy Grace;
The Nations thou shalt rule with awe,
And make them know thy righteous Law,
- 3 Thy Kingdom cannot be remov'd,
For thou art blessed and belov'd;
God, thine own God, has richly shed
Eternal Blessings on thine Head.
- 4 Thy Name is glorious, and thy Pow'r
Shall wide extend from Shore to Shore;
Thy Throne is rich, thy Kingdom strong,
And Men shall make thy Praise their Song.
- 5 Thy Sceptre rules with Peace and Love,
And shall thy Pow'r and Veng'ance prove;
Thy Subjects shall thy Blessings share,
But Rebels shall thy Veng'ance bear.
- 6 Forever shall thy Kingdom last,
When ev'ry Age of Time is past;
And all thy happy Subjects find,
Eternal Comforts to the Mind,

- 7 Thy Throne, O God, forever stands,
Righteous and Just are thy Commands;
Angels and Men shall each unite,
To make thine Honours their Delight.
- 8 Ye Angels that his Throne surround,
Loud let your Hallelujah's sound,
Join all ye Saints and lend your Breath,
To Praise him now, and after Death.

CV. *Christ the Hope of Isr'el.* Acts xxviii. 20.

- 1 JESUS, the Hope of Isr'el is,
For Pardon, Life, and Peace,
For Safety from the Wrath to come,
And for Immortal Bliss.
- 2 Descending from the Realms above,
He dwelt in human Clay;
Reveal'd the Wonders of his Love,
And took our Guilt away.
- 3 He dy'd a Sacrifice for Sin,
T' appease the Wrath Divine;
Remove our awful Load of Guilt,
And make his Justice shine.
- 4 He made his Righteousness compleat
To justify our Souls,
To save us from the Dragon's Seat
Where fiery Veng'ance rolls.
- 5 He shed his precious Blood to pay
The Price of our Release;
To turn Captivity away,
And bring us Life and Peace.

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- 6 He gain'd the Vict'ry when he dy'd,
And did in Conquest rise,
To raise us (free from Sin and Death)
To dwell above the Skies.
- 7 For him th' Apostle Paul was bound,
And joyful bore his Chain;
For he can heal the Sinner's Wound,
And set him free from Pain.
- 8 O set us free, dear Jesus, now
From our sad captive State;
And if we suffer by the Way,
We'll count no Pains too great.

CVI. *Christ the Law-giver and Saviour.*
James iv. 12.

- 1 JESUS the Saviour, is alone,
The great Law-giver from his Throne;
And none but him can speak the Word,
Of Peace and Pardon from the Lord,
- 2 He has Authority and Pow'r
To save the Sinner, and restore
The Blessings of eternal Love,
And all the Sinner's Guilt remove.
- 3 He can destroy the Rebel still
That dare resist his holy Will,
And awful Veng'ance on him pour
Who won't his sacred Name adore.
- 4 He's infinite in Sov'reign Grace,
To save the Sinners of our Race,
He gave his Life and shed his Blood
Thus to redeem their Souls to God.

- 5 But if they will his Grace refuse,
And Works of Sin and Folly chuse,
His awful Pow'r will crush them down,
Beneath the Terrors of his Frown.
- 6 Dear Lord, we would thy Law obey,
Keep us within thine Holy Way,
And let our Souls forever be
United, Lord, in Love to thee.

CVII. *The Saint's Death, Resurrection, and Immortality.* Luke xx. 36.

- 1 **S**AINTS in the present sinful State
Must of Mortality partake;
Descending from a sinful Head,
Who has a Mortal Nature spread.
- 2 Mortality o'er Nature reigns,
And gives the Body various Pains,
Sickness, Disease, and Death prevails,
Life and the Pow'r of Nature fails.
- 3 But they shall live, no more to die,
When Christ, descending from the Sky,
Shall raise them from the Dust again,
With him to live, with him to reign.
- 4 Disease and Death shall pain no more,
Their living Bodies as before;
Nor trying Griefs make them distress'd,
Who are in Jesus Kingdom blest.

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- 5 The Sting of Death is torn away,
The Grave no more can hold her Clay,
Death shall itself forever die,
The Grave in full Destruction lie.
- 6 The Saints shall be forever free,
From all their cruel Tyranny,
Secure in constant Joy and Peace,
With Jesus in Immortal Bliss.

CVIII. *The Gospel of Christ a Law of Liberty, by which we shall be judged.* James ii. 12.

- 1 **T**HE Gospel, of superior Grace,
By Christ the Saviour giv'n;
Reveals to Sinners of our Race
The Way that leads to Heav'n.
- 2 A Dispensation full of Love,
But strict in Justice too;
And Sinners that relentless prove,
Must be condemn'd to Woe.
- 3 The pure and holy Law of God
This Gospel still contains;
And those that disobey his Word,
Must suffer endless Pains.
- 4 Here Law and Grace, and Justice join,
To set the Sinner free;
But stubborn Souls can never find
This perfect Liberty.
- 5 'Tis by this Word of sacred Truth
We must be judg'd at last,
As we believe or disobey,
Our Sentence must be past.

- 6 Then let our Souls attentive hear,
And strict Obedience pay,
To all this sacred Word declares,
And keep the Holy Way.
- 7 By Faith and Love our Jesus own,
And turn from ev'ry Sin,
That when we come before his Throne
He may pronounce us clean.
- 8 Then shall we dwell with him on high,
And feast on heav'nly Joy;
And Praises that shall never die
Our joyful Tongues employ,

CIX. *God the Saint's Portion and Hope.*
Lamentations iii. 24.

- 1 **T**HE Lord's my Portion, saith my Soul,
He makes my broken Spirit whole;
Turns me from Paths in which I stray,
And brings me to his living Way.
- 2 He is my Portion here below,
And in the Realms of Glory too;
His Grace supports me whilst I live,
His pard'ning Love my Sins forgive.
- 3 'Twas by his Spirit, Grace, and Pow'r,
I ever knew that happy Hour,
When from my state of Sin and Grief,
My Spirit found a sweet Relief.

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- 4 He did create my Heart anew,
And to my Soul his Wonders shew;
Thro' Christ, his Son, who dy'd for Sin,
He makes my guilty Conscience clean.
- 5 He is the Source of all my Joys,
His Pow'r my Enemies destroys;
Of Death nor Hell, I'll be afraid,
Since God, my Portion, is mine Aid.
- 6 In Life and Death I'll hope in God,
Altho' he strikes me with his Rod;
For should he slay my Mortal Frame,
He'll be my Portion still the same.
- 7 When e'er this Mortal Body dies,
He'll take my Soul above the Skies;
He'll raise me from the Dead again,
Forever free from Grief and Pain.
- 8 He'll bring me near his glorious Throne
And make his high Perfections known;
Where I shall take my last Abode
And dwell forever with my God.

CX. *Christ become the Author of our Salvation,
thro' his Perfection in his Priestly Office.*

Heb. v. 9.

- I **B**EHOLD our great High-Priest above,
How full of Tenderness and Love!
How Perfect in his Office made,
Our Priest, our King, our Sov'reign Head!

- 2 Not with the Sacrifice of Beasts,
Like Aaron and the Jewish Priests,
But with his own most precious Blood,
His Consecration was to God.
- 3 By Sufferings sharp and painful too,
In which his Tears and Blood did flow,
Our dearest Lord was perfect made,
By virtue of that Blood he shed.
- 4 Thus consecrated, own'd, and blest,
He enter'd on eternal Rest ;
He that was Dead forever lives,
And Blessings of Salvation gives.
- 5 Thus perfected, our Lord became
The sacred Priest, the bleeding Lamb,
At once the Author of our Bliss,
The Saviour, and the Prince of Peace.
- 6 Converting and renewing Grace,
Pardon and Peace and Righteousness,
Are by this blessed Saviour giv'n,
With all the future Joys of Heav'n.
- 7 Those that obey his sacred Word,
And own him for their sov'reign Lord,
The Blessings of his Love shall find,
Forever sure, forever kind.
- 8 Dear Jesus, thee we own and love !
O send thy Blessings from above,
We'll honour thee thro' all our Days,
And fill Eternity with Praise.

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CXI. *Christ made a Sacrifice for our Sins.*
Isaiah liii. 12.

- 1 **W**HAT solemn Sounds now strike mine
What awful Justice do I hear! [ear!
While Love both infinite and free,
In sacred Harmony agree.
- 2 Jesus, the Son of God, from Heav'n,
Was for our Sins a Victim giv'n,
Number'd, condemn'd, and crucify'd,
With vile Transgressors thus he dy'd.
- 3 Jesus, immaculate and pure,
Did Sufferings shame and Death endure,
That he might bear our Sins away,
And turn our Midnight into Day.
- 4 When suff'ring on the Cross, he made
His interceding Pray'r, and said,
"Father, forgive them what they do,
"They murder now, they know not who."
- 5 How rich his Grace, how strong his Love!
Whose dying Groans our Comfort prove;
Ris'n from the Dead, and raised on high,
He interceeds above the Sky.
- 6 Dear Jesus, let our Names be known,
Before the all-propitious Throne,
And make our Souls forever blest,
In bright abodes of endless Rest.
- 7 Then shall we sing thy wond'rous Death,
And Praise thee with immortal Breath,
Then shall our raptur'd Souls adore,
Thy dying Love, thy saving Pow'r,

- 8 Then shall our Faith be turn'd to Sight,
Our Hope enjoy thy glorious Light,
And all thy lovely Charms appear
With Wonder, and with Transport there.

CXII. *God's Command to walk in the good
Old Way. Jer. vi. 16.*

THUS saith the Lord, " Now stand
" And view each sep'rate Way,
" Enquire the Path to Canaan's Land,
" And from it never stray.
" Ask for the good Old Path
" In which your Fathers trod ;
" Whose pious Steps led them at last
" To an Abode with God.
" Seek ye the pious Road,
" And keep the holy Way,
" That leads you to my blest Abode
" Of everlasting Day.
" Keep in the Narrow Tract
" Of Righteousness and Peace,
" With anxious Care and hasty Feet,
" Pursue mine heav'nly Bliss.
" Then shall your Souls have rest,
" From Sin and Satan free,
" And I will make you ever blest
" In an Abode with me.
" Where Sin can never reign,
" Nor Satan ever come ;
" But you shall e'er be free from Pain
" In mine eternal Home."

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Dear Lord, direct us where
We may this Passage find,
And guide our Feet to enter there,
And leave our Griefs behind.

There would we ever go,
And run with sacred Speed,
Fearless of ev'ry rising Foe,
Whilst God our Way shall lead.

CXIII. *Obedience the Character and Proof of
a real Christian.* 1 John ii. 5.

1 **B**LEST are the Heaven-born Souls that
The Favour of the Lord, [know
Who in their Lives and Actions show
Obedience to his Word.

2 The strongest Evidence we have
That we are born of God,
Is to obey his Sov'reign Will,
And fear his awful Rod.

3 He'll manifest his Love to those
Who will observe his Will,
And on his Sov'reign Grace repose,
With strict Obedience still.

4 In them he'll perfect all his Love
Of Grace and Mercy here;
And bring them to his Courts above
To view his Glories near.

5 That Jesus whom they now obey,
Will bring them near his Throne,
Where they will find eternal Day,
And feast on Joys unknown.

- 6 Make us, O Lord, to keep thy Law,
 And love thy Gospel too,
 Our Souls by thy kind Influence draw,
 And thy Commands we'll do.

CXIV. *Repentance and Faith in Christ the
 Doctrines which the Apostles taught.*
 ACTS xx. 21.

- 1 **T**HE Word of Grace by Jesus giv'n,
 Which his Apostles spread,
 Teach's us the Way that leads to Heav'n,
 And frees us from the Dead.
- 2 A true Repentance towards God,
 And Faith in Christ the Lord,
 Were the grand Doctrines which they taught,
 When e'er they preach'd the Word.
- 3 They taught the vast Importance now,
 Of Penitence for Sin,
 How humble Sinners ought to bow,
 And strive to make them clean.
- 4 They preach'd Faith in Christ alone,
 The Way to Life and Peace,
 Who only can for Sins atone,
 And merit heav'nly Bliss.
- 5 They made their Testimony sure,
 That Jesus is the Christ,
 Holy and undefiled, and pure,
 The Son of God the high'st.

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- 6 Make our Repentance, Lord, sincere,
And let our Faith be strong ;
Then shall we sing thy Praises here,
And Heav'n compleat the Song.

CXV. *God the Father's Faithfulness to his Son.*
Isaiah xlii. 6.

THUS saith the Lord to Christ his Son,
" Righteous am I in all I've done,
" I've chosen thee in Righteousness,
" I will uphold thee in Distress.
" In all the Pains thou shalt endure,
" Thy Father's Promise shall be sure,
" Thy Soul in Safety I will keep,
" And give thee all my chosen Sheep.
" With thee my Cov'nant has been made,
" Vict'ry and Joy shall crown thine Head,
" I will support thee all the Way,
" And make thy stubborn Foes obey.
" Tho' thou must bear the heavy Load,
" Of Sinner's Guilt, and shed thy Blood,
" With Pow'r I will uphold thee still,
" And raise thee to mine heav'nly Hill.
" With thee my Cov'nant stands secure,
" Long as th' eternal Heav'ns endure,
" Blest in this Cov'nant all shall be,
" Who shall believe and trust in thee.
" A glorious Light thy Word shall give,
" And cause the Gentile World to live,
" Thou shalt outshine the brightest Star,
" And bring thy Children from afar,"

Dear Lord, and will thy Grace convey
To all who shall thy Son obey,
Pardon, and Life, and Glory too?
Make us such Grace and Love to know:
Dilate our Hearts, expand our Breasts,
With Love which cannot be exprest;
And fit us for those Realms above,
Where we shall ever sing thy Love.

CXVI. *The promised Blessings of renewed
Strength and Vigour to such as trust in the
Lord. Isaiah xl. 31.*

- 1 **W**AIT on the Lord and trust his Name,
His Promises are good;
Forever he is still the same,
The one unchanging God.
- 2 Holy and Righteous, just and true,
Is our eternal Lord;
His Kindnesses are ever new,
And faithful is his Word.
- 3 He will renew the Strength of those
Who wait upon his Care;
Uphold them, and subdue their Foes,
And hear their humble Pray'r.
- 4 Like as the Eagles mount on high,
At the first Signal giv'n;
So will he teach his Saints to fly,
And wing their Way to Heav'n.

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- 5 Strengthened by his Pow'r and Grace,
With Haste their Feet shall move,
Unwearied run the heav'nly Race,
To gain the Prize above.
- 6 And whilst they walk the tedious Way,
And march the Desert thro',
Their God shall be their constant Stay,
Nor shall they Faint below,
- 7 Thus shall they fly with winged Speed,
And run with hasty Feet,
Thus shall they walk where God shall lead,
Till all in Heav'n shall meet.
- 8 Up to these Realms, dear Lord, I'd fly!
Nor loiter in the Way;
Till I shall reach the World on high,
And find eternal Day.

CXVII. *Exhortation to seek the Lord without Delay.* Isaiah lv. 6.

- 1 **S**EEK ye the Lord now whilst you may
Secure the Blessings of the Day,
Lift'n to the Gospel's joyful Sound,
While yet his Mercy may be found.
- 2 Seek him with earnest Cries and Tears,
Plead for his Grace with humble Pray'rs,
Call on his Name whilst he is near,
And serve him now with Hearts sincere.
- 3 Now is the Time he calls to you,
Now will his Grace your Souls renew,
If you will turn to him again,
Nor shall you seek his Grace in vain.

- 4 His Promise and his Grace is sure,
His Mercies ever shall endure;
He will his Grace and Love restore,
To such as shall his Name adore.
- 5 But if you will refuse his Grace,
And turn from Paths of Righteousness,
Reject his pard'ning Love to you,
And still your evil Ways pursue.
- 6 With awful Wrath he will depart,
And leave you to endure the Smart,
Of painful Anguish most severe,
And make you all his Veng'ance bear.

CXVIII. *The heavenly minded Christian living
in the Hope of future Joys and Comforts.*

- 1 **I** Live in Hope of Joys to come,
When I shall reach my Father's Home;
There to enjoy the Realms of Bliss,
And there be crown'd with Life and Peace.
- 2 Where Sin and Grief can ne'er be found;
But Joys shall take their constant round;
These Realms of Comfort have no end,
And thither my Desires I'll send.
- 3 I would not here abide, but fly
Up to those Realms above the Sky,
Where heav'nly Joys shall be compleat,
In Glories near my Father's Seat.

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- 4 There nothing ever shall remove
My Transports of eternal Love;
There Joys and Comforts ever rise,
In those fair Realms above the Skies.
- 5 No more ye Earth indulge my Cares,
And fill my weeping Eyes with Tears;
Farewell to all your dreaming Joys,
I'll seek that Bliss which never cloy.
- 6 I'll bid thy Charms false World adieu,
For heav'nly Pleasures ever new;
I shall forsake this mould'ring Clod,
And dwell forever with my God.
- 7 Then shall I drink new Pleasures in,
And know no more of Pain and Sin;
But free from all the Grievs of Time,
Shall triumph in the Joys divine.
- 8 Then shall I heav'nly Wonders know,
And be possess'd of Glory too;
Shall hear the Notes which Angels raise,
And fill Eternity with Praise.

CXIX. *The Apostle Thomas, convinced of the
Certainty of our Lord's Resurrection by im-
mediate Sight, and the blessedness of
Faith in an unseen Jesus.*

John xx. 27, 28, 29.

1 **J**ESUS th' incarnate Son
Who on the Cross was slain,
By dying has the Vict'ry won,
And rose to Life again.

- 2 Our risen Lord appear'd,
When his Disciples met,
To prove that he had left the Tomb,
And move their sad Regret.
- 3 "Behold my Hands," he said,
"And see my wounded Side,
"Observe my Feet the Iron tore,
"And in my Pow'r confide."
- 4 Yet Thomas, doubting, said,
"I'll touch those Wounds and see,
"Whether they be the same they made
"Upon the fatal Tree."
- 5 "Our condescending Lord,
Said, to this doubting Saint,
"Come hither, Thomas, prove my Word,
"And make no more complaint."
- 6 Surpris'd, and joyful now,
"My Lord! my God," he cries,
"With humble Worship he did bow,
"With Wonder in his Eyes.
- 7 "On Sight thy Faith has been,
(Our blessed Lord, reply'd)
"But happy those that have not seen,
"Yet trust in me who dy'd."
- 8 They shall be blessed here,
With Pardon, Peace, and Love;
Eternal Joys their Souls shall cheer,
In the bright World above.

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CXX, *The blessedness of Trust in God,*
Psalm xl. 4.

- 1 **A**MONGST the Sons of Mortal Race,
 The Man who trusts the God of Grace,
 Shall now be blest'd with inward Peace,
 And find his Happiness increase.
- 2 None but the just and righteous God,
 Who seals his Promises with Blood,
 Can such a firm Foundation prove,
 For Hope, and Trust, and pard'ning Love.
- 3 This is the God who gave us Breath,
 Who can secure our Lives from Death,
 Whose mighty Arm is strong to save,
 And ransom Sinners from the Grave.
- 4 Our great Creator, wise and just,
 In whom we may securely trust;
 Whose Wisdom, Pow'r, and Grace unite,
 To make our Duty our Delight.
- 5 Trust him ye Saints, and on him stay,
 Whose Strength is equal to your Day;
 Triumphant he will bear you thro',
 And make you more than Conqu'rors too.
- 6 He'll be your God while Time shall last,
 And when the Years of Grief are past
 Will bring you to his sacred Home,
 Where those he deigns to Bless shall come.

CXXI. *Christian Affection, Obedience and Truth, Evidences of Love to God.*

I John iii. 18, 19.

- 1 **L**OVE, like an overspreading Flood,
Thro' all its Channels flow ;
And those that love their Maker, God,
Will love his Children too.
- 2 In vain do Men in Words profess,
And by their Tongues declare,
They love the God of Pow'r and Grace,
And in Pretence draw near.
- 3 While by their evil Deeds they prove
Their Hearts are not sincere ;
And disregard the God of Love,
And slight his Children here.
- 4 But Saints who truly love the Lord,
Will by their Actions shew,
A strict Obedience to his Word,
Who did their Souls renew.
- 5 With deep Affection in the Heart,
They love their Brethren well ;
And will their Acts of Love impart,
To such as near them dwell.
- 6 Their Words and Actions both agree,
To prove them just and true ;
They live from Fraud and Mischief free,
And give to each their due.

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- 7 Such Conduct must the Christian have,
And such our God will own ;
Whilst Hypocrites he'll never save,
Or bring them near his Throne.
- 8 O may we, Lord, our Hearts assure,
And prove our Christian-Love,
For only such can be secure,
And dwell with thee above.

CXXII. *The Hope of the Gospel the Anchor of the Soul.* Heb. vi. 19.

- 1 **H**OW great, how glorious is the Hope !
The Gospel gives to dying Men ;
The Word which God to Abrah'm spoke,
He has in Christ renew'd again.
- 2 " Abrah'm, I'll bless thy Seed," he said,
" My Promise and mine Oath is sure,
" With thee my Cov'nant have made,
" In Christ, my Son, it shall be sure."
- 3 The Oath and Promise of the Lord,
Confirm'd the Cov'nant he reveal'd,
Which Jesus the incarnate Word,
By his own sacred Blood has seal'd.
- 4 This Hope supports the sinking Soul,
Safe as an Anchor firm and strong ;
Tho' Tempest blow, and Billow roll,
Salvation is the Christian's Song.
- 5 While on this World's tempestuous Sea,
With Winds and Storms we are distress'd,
This Anchor of our Hope shall be
Our Joy, our Safety, and our Rest.

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- 6 Thro all the Dangers of the Way,
We'll sail this stormy Ocean o'er,
Till we shall find a brighter Day,
And joyful reach the peaceful Shore.
- 7 Our Hope shall reach within the Vail,
And find a sure Foundation there;
While by the dang'rous Rocks we sail,
Surmounting ev'ry rising Fear.
- 8 O glorious Period! happy Hour!
When we shall land on heav'nly Ground,
When free from Storms we shall endure,
And everlasting Praises sound.

CXXIII. *Jesus once offered for Sins, coming a
Second Time to the Salvation of the Saints.*
Heb. ix. 28.

- 1 **J**ESUS the Son of God came down,
And dy'd for Sinners here;
To save our Lives he gave his own,
And paid the Ransom dear.
- 2 He shed his own most precious Blood
And hung upon the Tree;
Within the Place of Wrath he stood,
To set us Sinners free.
- 3 At once, himself, he offer'd up
A Sacrifice compleat,
And having drank the bitter Cup,
He mounted to his Seat.

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- 4 Our blessed Lord shall come again,
No more to bleed and die,
For he shall ever live and reign
Upon his Throne on high.
- 5 He'll come the many Souls to save,
Whose Guilt on Earth he bore,
And call them from the darksome Grave
To live forever more.
- 6 They shall behold his heav'nly Face,
And view his Glories round,
Receive the Blessings of his Grace,
And Hallelujah's sound.
- 7 Thus shall the Sons of Grace be blest,
Who long to see him come,
Their Souls shall find eternal Rest,
In his immortal Home.
- 8 Come, dearest Lord! and let us see
The Glories of thy Throne!
That thro' a long Eternity
We may thy Wonders own!

CXXIV. *Christ the Foundation of Zion and
the King of Nations, with the Safety of Bri-
tain under his Care. Matth. xxi. 44.*

- 1 COME and rejoice, ye Sons of God,
And hear the Wonders of his Word,
In Thanks and Praises spend your Strength,
Till you shall meet in Heav'n at length.

- 2 Zion's Foundation God has laid,
Jesus, the corner Stone he made,
And firm, immoveable, and sure,
This strong Foundation shall endure.
- 3 Whoever falls upon this Stone
Shall bruise his Flesh and break his Bone;
But those on whom this Stone shall fall,
Its dreadful Weight shall grind them small.
- 4 Jesus shall reign and crush his Foes,
Who dare his Kingdom to oppose,
And by his own Almighty Arm,
Preserve his chosen Ones from Harm.
- 5 Those that despise his Name shall know
The Judgments of his Wrath below;
Those that reject his Gospel now,
Before his Judgment Seat shall bow.
- 6 Audacious Sinners that rebel,
With Rage and Violence of Hell,
The fiercest Flames of Wrath shall bear,
And no Deliv'rer shall be there.
- 7 The Nation where his Name is known,
And Honours given to his Throne,
Shall dwell secure beneath his Shade,
Tho' Tempests roar and Foes invade.
- 8 Let Britain Praise forever more,
And sound his Name from Shore to Shore,
Who has reduc'd her Foes to Shame,
And taught her whence her Vict'ry came,
- 9 Let Britain rest upon his Care,
Nor all the Sons of Malice fear,
His everlasting Arm is strong,
Let Grace and Vict'ry be her Song.

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10 Encompass'd with his Arms of Love,
Who sits upon his Throne above;
She shall be Safe and long remain,
Since Jesus shall forever reign.

CXXV. *Prayer and Confession to God for a
Day of Fasting and Humiliation.*

1 **N**OW let our Pray'rs ascend
Up to the Throne above;
Where Jesus, our Almighty Friend,
Pleads with the God of Love.

2 Against his Majesty
We have committed Sin;
And none but him who rules the Sky
Can make us pure and clean.

3 His Judgments are abroad,
And Mortals fear their Woe,
But there are Mercies with our God
For such as to him go.

4 Dear Lord! we pray forgive,
To thy kind Arms we flee!
O let a guilty People live,
And pay their Praise to thee!

CXXVI. *True Apostolical Preaching, with the Manner and Design of the Apostles, and faithful Ministers of Christ, in preaching him. Coloss. i. 28.*

- 1 JESUS, the Lord, we preach to Men,
Who dy'd for Sins and rose again;
He is the great Foundation laid,
Who for our Souls the Ransom paid.
- 2 That Jesus is the Christ we prove,
And shew the Wonders of his Love;
He is the Life, the Truth, the Way
That leads to everlasting Day.
- 3 We warn the Sinners of our Race,
To flee from Wrath and fly to Grace,
To come to Jesus, on him rest,
Who is the Saviour ever blest.
- 4 We teach the humble Christian where
To fix his Hope, and 'scape the Snare,
And guide him in the Way of Peace,
That leads to Glory, Joy, and Bliss.
- 5 The glorious End we have in View,
While to our fellow-Men we shew
The Dangers of a sinful Road,
The Blessings of the Way to God.
- 6 Is to present them at his Throne,
Perfect in Jesus Christ his Son,
For this we labour, strive, and pray,
In Prospect of that happy Day.

140 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

- 7 Then shall our Souls rejoice indeed,
When we shall see a numerous Seed ;
Which born for God, shall then be made
Compleat in Jesus Christ their Head.
- 8 O happy Period ! glorious Hour !
When Grace shall shew his wond'rous Pow'r !
And all the Saints before him stand,
United in one glorious Band.

CKXVII. *Justification and Life, not by the Law, but by Faith in Christ.* Gal. ii. 19.

- 1 THE Law is holy, just, and wise,
Giv'n by the God who rules the Skies,
When Man in Innocency stood,
He bore the Image of his God.
- 2 But when apostate Man had fell,
Subject to Mis'ry, Wrath, and Hell,
This holy Law no Life could give,
To make the rebel Sinner live.
- 3 Nor could the Law at Sinai giv'n,
When God descended down from Heav'n,
With all the Sacrifices slain,
Redeem one Soul to Life again.
- 4 But Christ descending from above,
Perfect in Wisdom, Grace, and Love,
Is able to redeem the Soul,
And make the broken Spirit whole.
- 5 Not all the Works that we perform,
Can save a Mortal dying Worm,
Or for the least Offence atone,
Before our God's majestic Throne,

- 6 'Tis thro' the Blood, which Jesus shed,
We must be ransom'd from the Dead,
'Tis thro' his perfect Righteousness,
We must be justify'd by Grace.
- 7 By Faith in him we live anew,
Whose Word is faithful, just, and true,
'Tis by his Grace we gain our Strength,
And hope to meet in Heav'n at length.
- 8 By Faith, dear Lord, we come to thee,
Who bled and dy'd upon the Tree,
Redeem us from our Sin and Woe,
And bring our Souls to Glory too.

CXXVIII. *God the Foundation of Hope to
the Humble and Obedient, in a Time of
Public Calamity.*

FOR A FAST-DAY.

- 1 **T**HE Sov'reign God who built the Skies,
And rais'd all Nature's Frame,
Is holy, righteous, just, and wise,
And will be still the same.
- 2 Knowledge and Truth, and Righteousness;
Shall e'er with him remain;
Those that obey him he will bless,
But Rebels shall be slain.
- 3 The great Foundation of our Hope
Is the Almighty God;
His holy Name we may invoke,
Whilst we endure the Rod.

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- 4 He is the God of Providence
Who rules the World with awe;
In dreadful Justice he'll dispense
The Terrors of his Law.
- 5 His Mercy, Grace, and Pow'r shall prove,
A Bulwark of Defence;
To all the Objects of his Love,
That draw Salvation thence.
- 6 The humble Penitent shall stand,
While Death and Danger's near,
Who follows the Divine Command,
And worship God with Fear.
- 7 God is our Hope, our lasting Prop,
And whilst his Arms sustain,
Nor Satan, Death, or Hell, can stop
The Vict'ry that we gain.

CXXIX. *God hearing the Prayers of the Righteous, whilst they are suffering the Correction of his Rod. Psalm xxxiv. 17.*

- 1 **S**UCH is the State this World is in,
Thro' Man's Apostacy and Sin;
That Sorrows, Grievs, and Trials rise,
With aking Hearts and weeping Eyes.
- 2 The Righteous who their God obey,
Cannot remove these Scenes away;
But while they pass this Wilderness,
Must meet with Sorrow, Grief, Distress.

- 3 Their pious Pray'rs ascend to God,
Whilst they endure this awful Rod;
To him they Cry, and drop their Tears,
Who will regard their humble Pray'rs.
- 4 Attentive he will hear them now,
And on them Blessings will bestow;
He will support and set them free,
When to his Mercy-Seat they flee.
- 5 His Grace is rich, his Pow'r is strong,
His suff'ring Patience dureth long;
And when he strikes correcting Blows,
'Tis to prevent their future Woes.
- 6 He touches with his gentle Hands,
To make them walk in his Commands,
He leads them safely thro' the Road,
That brings them to his blest Abode.
- 7 Ah! dearest Lord, is this thy Love,
When thou our Faith and Patience prove!
We would submit and yield to thee,
That so we may thy Glory see.
- 8 When thine afflicting Hand we bear,
O let us in thy Mercy share,
While we endure this painful State,
O make thy Consolations great.

CXXX. *Christ opening our Understandings to
receive the Knowledge of the Holy Scriptures.*

Luke xxiv. 45.

- 1 **A**POSTATE Man from Knowledge fell,
And lost his Sight of God;
Satan, the dreadful Prince of Hell,
Expos'd him to the Rod.

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- 2 But God reveal'd his gracious Name
And made his Mercy known;
Whilst Wrath appear'd with burning Flame,
Grace shone around his Throne.
- 3 He gave his Promise and his Oath,
And made his Grace secure;
He is unchanging in them both,
Which firm as Heav'n endure.
- 4 He gave to Men his written Word,
And taught them all his Will,
Whereby they should obey the Lord,
And find his Mercy still.
- 5 He sent his only Son from Heav'n,
T' enlighten sinful Men,
Thro' whom his pard'ning Love is giv'n,
And Life restor'd again.
- 6 This glorious Saviour dy'd for Men,
And gave his Life for ours,
And by his quick'ning Grace within,
Renews our feeble Pow'rs.
- 7 Our Minds he opens to receive
The Word of Truth and Love,
And to our Understandings give,
A Sense of Joys above.
- 8 'Tis by his Spirit and his Grace
We learn the Way of Peace,
And thro' his perfect Righteousness,
Enjoy the Realms of Bliss.

CXXXI. *God the Hope of a pious Nation.*
 Psalm xxxiii. 22.

FOR A FAST-DAY.

- 1 **T**HOU sov'reign Lord of Right and Wrong,
 Mercies and Judgment are our Song;
 We praise thee for thy Mercies giv'n,
 We dread thy Judgments sent from Heav'n.
- 2 Thou art our God, in thee we trust,
 Humbled for Sin we lie in Dust;
 O let thy Mercies save us now,
 Prostrate at Jesus Feet we bow.
- 3 According as we hope in thee,
 So let thy Mercies set us free,
 From Death and Dangers, War and Sword,
 Then shall we join to praise the Lord.
- 4 Give us Repentance, Lord, for Sin,
 Shew us how vile our Lives have been;
 Cause us to turn to thee again,
 Nor let our Hope in thee be vain.
- 5 Thy vast Perfections we adore,
 Thy wond'rous Grace, thy mighty Pow'r;
 Thy faithful Promises we trust,
 For thou art holy, wise, and just.
- 6 Now Britain does her Sins confess,
 O bless her with thy sov'reign Grace;
 Give her Repentance, make her know,
 The Blessings of thy Pardon too.

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- 7 Then shall her Sons thy Name adore,
And sound thy Praise to ev'ry Shore;
Then shall this happy Isle rejoice,
And Praise thee with exalted Voice.

CXXXII. *The great Importance of regarding
the Word of God, for Direction in the Path
of Life.* Psalm cxix. 9.

FOR YOUNG PERSONS.

- 1 **H**OW shall the Young secure their Way?
And gain the Vict'ries of the Day?
By taking Heed to all the Word,
Giv'n by the Spirit of the Lord.
- 2 So shall they be directed where,
To 'scape from each deceitful Snare;
And walk within the sacred Road,
Which leads them to their Maker, God.
- 3 This Word shall light their Feet around,
And mark their Way on solid Ground,
Whilst it presents before their Eyes,
The rich Reward, the glorious Prize.
- 4 Children of Men are born unclean,
Tainted with Adam's Mortal Sin;
And in their Acts of riper Years,
Sin in its evil Form appears.
- 5 Happy the Child that knows betimes,
The evil Nature of his Crimes;
And taught by God to seek his Grace
Shall towards Zion set his Face.

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- 6 Who reads the Word of God with Care,
And join therewith his early Pray'r,
He shall the Path of Virtue know,
And in the Way of Life shall go.
- 7 He'll guard against Temptations Charms,
And cast himself in Jesus Arms,
Despise vain Pleasures of Delight,
And Worship God both Day and Night.
- 8 Childhood and Youth thus taught to steer,
Shall find their solid Comforts here;
Shall die in Peace, and glorious rise,
To dwell with God above the Skies.
- 9 When the last Trumpet's Sound is heard,
They shall be fitted and prepar'd,
To rise and meet their glorious Lord,
And be acquitted by his Word.
- 10 When freed from ev'ry Sin and Woe,
Into his Glory they shall go,
Triumphant in their Songs of Praise,
And join the Notes which Angels raise.

CXXXIII. *The Victory of Faith in Time of Distress.*

- 1 **V**ICTORIOUS Faith will gain the Day,
And Sov'reign Goodness rich display,
When on the Lord our Souls rely,
He will not let us Faint or Die.

148 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

- 2 Faith conquers Satan and the World,
Altho' their Darts 'gainst us be hurl'd;
Faith in the Lord, whose Arm is strong,
Shall turn each Sigh to joyful Song.
- 3 When Enemies around us stand,
With Cruelty in ev'ry Hand,
Faith shall subdue each evil Foe,
With Vict'ry and with Triumph too.
- 4 Lord we would trust and faint no more,
Lean on thine Arm, thy Grace implore;
Conduct us thro' each gloomy Way,
And lead us to thy Realms of Day.
- 5 Lord we believe thy Pow'r and Grace,
Thy Wisdom and thy Righteousness;
Give us such Strength of Faith in thee,
As shall secure our Victory.

CXXXIV. *Christ a Refiner and Purifier.*
Malach. iii. 2.

- 1 JESUS, the glorious Lord appears,
And brings Salvation down;
Dispels our Darkness and our Fears,
And makes his Mercy known.
- 2 But those that dare refuse his Grace
And spurn at Sov'reign Love,
Shall ne'er ascend his holy Place,
Or dwell with God above.
- 3 But he will cleanse the humble Soul
From all its Sin and Dross,
Will make the broken Spirit whole,
And save the Soul from Loss.

- 4 Like a Refiner he shall sit,
And try the Sons of Men,
And stubborn Sinners must submit,
To everlasting Pain.
- 5 None but the holy, pure, and good,
Can thro' his Furnace pass,
Whose Souls are cleansed by his Blood
And saved by his Grace.
- 6 The Wicked can't his Presence bear,
Or stand before his Throne,
But Saints shall find Acceptance there,
And meet with Joys unknown.
- 7 O solemn Period ! dreadful Day !
When Christ the Lord shall come !
To cast the useless Dross away,
And bring his Children home !
- 8 Who can abide his glorious Sight !
And stand the fiery Test !
None but the holy Saints of Light,
Shall be with Glory blest.

CXXXV. *Holy Meditation with Joy in God.*
Psalm civ. 34.

- 1 **M**Y Meditation shall be sweet,
And I will joy in God,
Fain would I get me near his Seat,
And sound his Praise abroad !

150 SPIRITUAL HYMNS.

- 2 Holy and pure his Nature be,
And he is just and wise,
Happy the Saints his Glories see,
Above the lofty Skies !
- 3 His vast Perfections know no Bounds,
His Excellence is great !
I would rehearse in joyful Sounds
The Glories of his State !
- 4 His Works of Nature all unite
With Harmony Divine,
To make his Praises my Delight,
Whilst his rich Glories shine.
- 5 His Providence how kind and large !
How rich his Bounties are !
The whole Creation is his charge,
He makes my Life his Care.
- 6 How rich and free his Sov'reign Grace ?
His Love how wond'rous great !
How glorious is his Righteousness ?
And all his Works compleat.
- 7 His Son, the great Redeemer, came
And shed his precious Blood,
Rich are the Honours of his Name,
And all his Works are good !
- 8 I'll meditate upon his Love,
Who has my Soul redeem'd,
Till I shall reach his Throne above,
Where Praise shall have no End,

CXXXVI. *The swiftnefs of Time, and
solemnity of a Judgment to come.*

FOR NEW-YEAR'S DAY.

- 1 **A**LAS! how swift our Moments fly!
Thro' each successive Day;
And all the Things beneath the Sky,
Must wither and decay.
- 2 The rolling Years with speed they flee,
Till Time shall be no more;
With Haste we sail across the Sea,
To reach th' eternal Shore.
- 3 When Time with all its Scenes are gone,
And God our Judge shall come,
We must appear before his Throne,
To take our final Doom.
- 4 O solemn Period! awful Hour!
To those that have no God,
On them he will his Veng'ance pour,
Within their dark Abode.
- 5 How joyful shall this Period be!
To all the pious Deao,
They shall his glorious Kingdom see,
And live with Christ their Head.
- 6 O may we spend our Time with Care,
And live a Life divine;
That we may meet with Honour where
The Saints in Glory shine.

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- 7 Then shall our raptur'd Souls adore
Our God's eternal Love,
And sing the Wonders of his Pow'r
That rais'd our Souls above.
- 8 Thus joyful blest and glorify'd,
With Angels we shall vie!
Exalted at our Saviour's Side,
Upon his Throne on high!

CXXXVII. *Sin and Death removed by Christ.*
Rom. viii. 10.

- 1 **W**HEN Jesus sends his Spirit down,
To make his pard'ning Mercy known,
He sends the guilty Conscience Peace,
And gives the Pris'ner sweet Release.
- 2 He turns the stubborn Heart from Sin,
Creates new Pow'rs of Life within;
Will by his quickening Spirit raise
The Sinner, dead, to sing his Praise.
- 3 Altho' by our apostate Head,
The Mortal Body must be dead,
Yet Christ, the second Adam gives,
That Grace by which the Spirit lives.
- 4 By Sin we are expos'd to Death,
As Mortal we must loose our Breath;
But Christ can bring our Souls to rest,
Save us from Wrath, and make us blest.
- 5 Jesus, who undertook to save,
Has gain'd the Conquest o'er the Grave,
And by his Righteousness compleat,
Can raise us to his heav'nly Seat.

- 6 His Spirit dwells within the Soul,
And will the Pow'rs of Death controul,
Subdue the reigning Pow'r of Sin,
And plant the Seeds of Grace within.
- 7 So let thy Spirit, Lord of Love,
Descending from the Realms above,
Dwell in my Heart and Life restore,
That I may live and sin no more.
- 8 That when this Mortal Flesh shall die,
My Spirit may ascend on high;
Then also shall my Flesh arise,
To thy blest Mansions in the Skies.

CXXXVIII. *The Christian's Trial of Faith.*

2 Cor xiii. 5.

- 1 **W**HEN Jesus did ascend on high,
Up to his Seat above the Sky;
He sent his sacred Spirit down,
To make his great Salvation known.
- 2 He sent the great Apostles forth,
From East to West, from South to North;
To shew the World his wond'rous Grace,
His pard'ning Love, his Righteousness.
- 3 And those who on his Name believe,
Life and Salvation shall receive;
If whilst they own his glorious Pow'r,
They yield Obedience and adore.

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- 4 His Spirit dwells within their Hearts,
Newness of Life to them imparts,
And guides them in the Path of Love,
Which leads them to the Realms above.
- 5 The Man who loves his Name shall know,
The Grace and Blessings he'll bestow,
And find his inward Spirit blest,
With pard'ning Mercy, Peace, and Rest.
- 6 But whilst he saves the humble Soul,
And makes the broken Spirit whole,
The Hypocrite shall find no room,
But Fire and Wrath must be his Doom.
- 7 He will refine the Silver pure,
But Dross his Furnace can't endure;
The Touchstone of his Word shall shew,
What's counterfeit, and what is true.
- 8 Lord, I would search, and try, and see,
How far my Faith and Love agree,
Dear Lord, refine my Dross away,
And purify my Mortal Clay.

CXXXIX. *The awful Consequence of Unbelief.*
Hebrews iii. 19.

- 1 **W**HEN God to Abraham appear'd,
He made his Promise sure;
"Thy Children shall possess the Land,
"Thy Seed shall long endure."
- 2 He freed them from th' Egyptian Yoke,
And led them thro' the Sea,
And by his Cloud of Fire and Smoke,
He guided all their Way.

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- 3 He brought them to the Wilderness,
 And made his Wonders known,
 He fed them with his Bread from Heav'n,
 And took them for his own.
- 4 But how ungrateful did they prove,
 And what a faithless Race,
 Rebellion they return'd for Love,
 And weary'd out his Grace.
- 5 So God in dreadful Wrath did swear,
 " They shall not see my Rest,
 " Their Carcasses shall perish here,
 " Their Children shall be blest."
- 6 They were forbid the promis'd Land,
 And Canaan never saw,
 Because they slighted his Command,
 And disobey'd his Law.
- 7 But far more dreadful Veng'ance still
 Shall Unbelievers bear,
 Whose stubborn Hearts resist his Will,
 Who won't his Mercy hear.
- 8 Those that reject the Son of God,
 And dare despise his Love,
 Cannot escape his awful Rod,
 Or dwell with God above.

CXL. *Youth guided by the Word of God.*
 Psalm cxix. 9.

I O God of Nature how
 Shall sinful Man we wise!
 What shall direct his Footsteps now,
 And light his clouded Eyes?

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- 2 Unholy and impure
Are all the Sons of Men;
How shall the Young their Paths secure,
And keep their Conscience clean?
- 3 Thy Word, O God of Love!
Reveals thy wond'rous Grace!
And makes thy Pow'r and Wisdom known,
In Ways of Righteousness.
- 4 Thy Word shall guide our Youth,
In Purity and Peace;
And lead them in the Way of Truth,
To Realms of heav'nly Bliss.
- 5 Shall teach them what they are,
And what they ought to be,
How they shall 'scape each sinful Snare,
And turn, O Lord, to thee.
- 6 Thy Spirit, by thy Word,
Shall thy vast Wonders shew,
Lead them to Faith in Christ the Lord,
And make their Natures new.
- 7 Dear Lord, thus guide our Youth,
And lead them by thy Love,
Thro' Paths of Righteousness and Truth,
To join thy Saints above.
- 8 Then shall both Old and Young,
Thy wond'rous Name proclaim,
And join in one delightful Song,
Of Praises to the Lamb.

CXLI. *The Faithfulness of God to forgive Sins upon humble Confession.* 1 John i. 9.

- 1 **L**ORD, I confess my Sins to thee,
O set me from my Bondage free;
Against my God, I have transgress'd,
O make me in thy Pardon blest.
- 2 My Sins I own, my Guilt confess,
O save me by thy pard'ning Grace,
Thro' Christ, thy Son, who dy'd for Sin,
Restore my Soul to Life again.
- 3 Before thy Footstool, Lord, I bow,
And lie with deep Contrition low,
Have Mercy on my contrite Soul,
And make my broken Spirit whole.
- 4 Thou, Lord, art faithful to forgive,
The humble Penitent shall live;
Thy Justice will his Guilt remove,
Whose Faith receives thy pard'ning Love.
- 5 Thou wilt be faithful to thy Son,
In all the Work that he hath done;
Thou wilt reward his dying Pains,
And free the Pris'ner from his Chains.
- 6 Thy Promise and thine Oath is sure,
To make thy pard'ning Love secure,
Thy Justice will thine Honour shew,
And prove thy Law and Gospel true.

CXLII. *Access to God through Christ.*
Ephes. iii. 12.

- 1 **H**OW great his Grace, how strong his Love!
 Who left the sacred Realms above;
 And for our Sins the Veng'ance bore,
 That we might live, and die no more.
- 2 Such Grace the Son of God possess'd,
 Such Love expanded in his Breast,
 When on the Cross he shed his Blood,
 To bring us Sinners near to God.
- 3 Thro' him we have a free Access,
 To God's propitious Throne of Grace;
 And there with Freedom we may come,
 As to our Father's sacred Home.
- 4 There we may tell our Grievs and Woes,
 And gain new Strength against our Foes;
 May plead with God for pard'ning Grace,
 For Mercy, and for Righteousness.
- 5 There we may come with hope, and trust
 In God, the holy, wise, and just;
 Who sent his Son to die for Sin,
 And make us guilty Creatures clean.
- 6 By Faith in this, dear Jesus, now,
 Before his sacred Throne we bow;
 And thro' his Mediation dare,
 Approach his Throne by humble Pray'r.
- 7 'Tis by his Righteousness compleat,
 We have Accession to his Seat;
 And by his full Redemption giv'n,
 Obtain a Right to enter Heav'n.

CXLIII. *The Method of God's Grace in bringing back Backslidden Saints, thro' the Wilderness of Affliction. Hosea ii. 14.*

- 1 **W**HEN Saints forget their Saviour, God,
And wander far astray,
He'll teach them by his awful Rod,
To find the heav'nly Way.
- 2 He'll lead them thro' the Wilderness,
Of Sorrow, Grief, and Pain;
Support them in their sharp Distress,
And bring them back again.
- 3 Those that profess his sacred Name,
Yet disobey his Will,
Shall meet with Sorrow, Pain, and Shame,
When God shall Wrath fulfil.
- 4 Thus in the Wilderness they dy'd,
Who still provok'd his Wrath;
Nor could they from his Veng'ance hide,
Or 'scape his dreadful Curse.
- 5 But humble contrite Souls shall find,
(Whilst in the Wilderness)
Their God is merciful and kind,
Enrich'd with Sov'reign Grace.
- 6 They shall by sweet Experience prove
Their God is faithful still;
And leads them in the safest Way,
To Zion's holy Hill.

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- 7 He will allure them by his Love,
 Whilst in the Defart here ;
 Will fend his Blessings from above,
 And give them joyful cheer.
- 8 So shall they reach the heav'nly Mount,
 And find the promis'd Rest,
 When he will all their Sins discount,
 And make them ever blest.

CXLIV. *God's Promise to forgive Sins for his own Sake.* Ilaiah xliii. 25.

- 1 **T**HUS saith the Lord Jehovah, now
 " Let Sinners at my Footstool bow,
 " I, even I, am he that gives,
 " That Grace by which the Sinner lives.
- 2 " All thy Transgressions I will blot,
 " And all thy Sins shall be forgot ;
 " For mine own Sake, I'll Mercy shew,
 " For I am faithful, just, and true.
- 3 " My chosen Sons have gone astray,
 " And walk'd in a forbidden Way ;
 " I know their Sins, their Follies see,
 " How faithless, and how false they be.
- 4 " I'll make them know my chast'ning Rod,
 " And learn them to obey their God ;
 " Will make my faithful Cov'nant good,
 " Confirm'd by Oath, and seal'd with Blood.
- 5 " Jesus, my Son, shall die for Sin,
 " Whose Blood shall make them pure and clean,
 " Nor shall their Sins be found again,
 " For he shall wash out all their Stain."

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- 6 Dear Lord, our Hearts rejoice to find,
Thy Love so infinite, so kind!
O may we never dare t' offend,
Our faithful God, our heav'nly Friend.
- 7 Lord, we commit ourselves to thee,
Whose wond'rous Grace has set us free,
We would forever Praise thy Name,
And sing Hosannah's to the Lamb,

CXLV. *Christ the Door of the Sheep-fold.*
John x. 9.

- 1 **T**HUS saith the Shepherd of the Sheep,
"I am the sacred Door;
"In the fair Pastures where I keep,
"There's Life forever more.
- 2 "In me shall wand'ring Sinners find,
"The Way their Footsteps lost;
"From Death I will their Souls redeem,
"My Blood has paid the Cost.
- 3 "Those that obey my sacred Word,
"Shall neither faint or die;
"I'll lead them to their Father God,
"And give them Joys on high.
- 4 "My tender Care shall keep them free,
"From Dangers Night and Day,
"My Pow'r their strong Defence shall be,
"From ev'ry Beast of Prey.
- 5 "I will enrich them with my Grace,
"And feed them with my Love;
"Their Souls shall find a joyful Place,
"In the bright Fields above."

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- 6 O dearest Shepherd of the Flock,
Is this thy tender Care!
We'll come to thee with pleasing Hope,
To feed thy Pastures here.
- 7 We'll follow thee above the Sky,
Our Souls would long to come,
With winged Speed we'll eager fly,
To thine eternal Home!

CXLVI. *The sweet Savour of the Ministry of the Word, with the different Success of the Gospel.* 2 Cor. ii. 15, 16.

- 1 **H**OW sweet is the melodious Voice!
That sounds the sacred Word!
To make the Sinner's Heart rejoice,
And bring him near the Lord.
- 2 Acceptable before our God,
Are those that spend their Breath,
To spread immortal Love abroad,
And shew the Saviour's Death.
- 3 The Saviour of the Gospel yields,
A Fragrance most divine;
The Flow'rs that well adorn the Fields,
With no such Glory shine.
- 4 The Odours of this rich Perfume
An healing Virtue bear,
To make the dying Sinner live,
And cause the Deaf to hear.

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- 5 Yet shall this heav'nly Fragrance prove,
An Odour to consume;
The Sinners that despise such Love,
And hate this rich Perfume.
- 6 But those who gladly shall receive
Its gentle Virtues now;
And in its sacred Pow'r believe,
Eternal Life shall know.
- 7 And those who make its Sweetness known,
Its Odours send abroad,
Shall be admitted near the Throne
Of their Redeemer, God.
- 8 Immortal Honours crown the Head,
Of ev'ry faithful Scribe,
Who shall this saving Knowledge spread,
Extended far and wide.

CXLVII. *The Glory of the Gospel, and its
transforming Influence.* 2 Cor. iii. 18.

- 1 **N**OW in the Gospel Light we see,
The glories of the sacred Three;
There we behold our Saviour shine,
In Glories perfect and divine!
- 2 His Gospel like a Mirror bright,
Presents to View his glorious Light;
And makes his vast Perfections known,
With all the Honours of his Throne.

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- 3 God's brightest Glories, richest Grace,
Shines forth in Jesus sacred Face;
And in his Gospel we may see,
How glorious all his Saints shall be!
- 4 Jesus, our Lord, his grace displays,
And when we see his shining Rays
We're chang'd by this glorious Sight,
And made the Children of the Light.
- 5 His Grace and Mercy strikes our Eyes,
With holy Wonder, vast Surprize;
His deep Compassion, dying Love,
Our warm and strong Affections move.
- 6 'Tis by his Spirit we are made,
In Fashion like our glorious Head;
His changing Pow'r within us reigns,
And all our Sins and Lusts restrains.
- 7 O may our Eyes, dear Lord, behold
The Glories thou can'st now unfold,
And in the Gospel Mirror see,
The sacred Beauties told of thee.
- 8 Convert our Souls, our Minds renew,
And make us holy, just, and true;
That so we may thy Image bear,
Whilst we behold thy Glories here.

CXLVIII. *The Love and Unity of a Christian Church.* Phillippians i. 27.

- 1 CHRISTIANS, by Faith and Love are made,
Joint Heirs with Jesus Christ, their Head,
Tho' here they have no lasting Home,
They are secure of one to come.

- 2 Such blessed Citizens of Heav'n,
(To whom eternal Life is giv'n)
Will imitate the Saints above,
In Peace, and Purity, and Love:
- 3 They Worship God with sacred Awe,
And love t' obey his holy Law;
His vast Perfections imitate,
And all the Works of Darkness hate.
- 4 Such kindred Souls unite in Peace,
Like Saints that dwell in Realms of Bliss;
And join their Efforts to withstand,
What Sin or Satan dares command.
- 5 Their Temper, Life, and Conduct shine,
With Graces Holy and Divine;
They by their Conversation show,
They are the Heirs of Glory now,.
- 6 So let us live, dear Lord, and prove
We are the Objects of thy Love;
So let us walk the heav'nly Road,
That we may dwell in thine Abode.

CXLIX. *Death, our great and last Enemy
destroyed by Christ.* 1 Cor. xv. 26.

- 1 **N**OW in this World of Sin and Death,
With Pain we draw our Mortal Breath;
Subject to Sorrow, Grief, and Pain,
Till we return to Dust again.

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- 2 Flesh and the World obstruct our Way,
And strive to lead our Souls astray ;
That so they may destroy our Peace,
And take away our future Blifs.
- 3 Satan, by subtle Malice led,
Would strike our various Comforts dead ;
And add to our Diseases here,
The Torments of a Wrath severe.
- 4 Death is the last of all our Foes,
That vain would bring our lasting Woes ;
And that he might this End obtain,
By him our dearest Lord was slain.
- 5 But Jesus dying Vict'ry gave,
And gain'd the Conquest o'er the Grave ;
Destroy'd the Pow'r of Death, and rose
Victorious over all his Foes.
- 6 Such Vict'ry he will also give,
To those who in his Pow'r believe ;
And Death shall ne'er their Souls destroy,
But bring them to eternal Joy.
- 7 Whilst in the present Life they rove,
He'll shew the Tokens of his Love ;
Amidst their Grievs, and Pains, and Tears,
He will regard their humble Pray'rs.
- 8 When Death, the Tyrant, shall appear,
His Comforts shall their Courage cheer,
And by his sacred Pow'r alone,
Vict'ry shall crown each dying Groan.

CL. *The new and spiritual Creation after the
likeness of God.* Ephes. iv. 24.

- 1 **B**EHOLD! what Wonders God can do,
How rich his Grace to Men!
His Image he imprints anew,
And Life restores again.
- 2 He sent his only Son to die,
That sinful Men might live;
And rais'd him to his Throne on high,
Immortal Life to give.
- 3 He sends his Spirit to convey
His new creating Pow'r;
And Souls renewed shall obey,
And his rich Grace adore.
- 4 Righteous and holy must they be,
Who are redeem'd with Blood;
For none but holy Souls shall see,
A pure and righteous God.
- 5 Those whom he now creates, are made,
By his converting Love,
In likeness to their glorious Head,
Who sits enthron'd above.
- 6 May we in all those Graces shine,
Which cloath the Saints in Light;
That being Holy and Divine,
Our Glories may be bright.

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CLI. *Christ the only Saviour.* Acts iv. 12,

- 1 **S**ALVATION, O melodious Word!
How charming to the Ear!
Sinners redeem'd to the Lord,
How sweet the Tidings are!
- 2 These Tidings were by Jesus brought,
His sacred Name adore;
Who by his precious Blood has bought
Salvation for the Poor.
- 3 Salvation is in Jesus found,
God's dear incarnate Son;
His pard'ning Grace heals ev'ry Wound,
And saves the Soul undone.
- 4 Jesus, has dy'd our Lives to save,
And borne our Sins away;
Jesus rose Conqu'ror o'er the Grave,
And turn'd our Night to Day.
- 5 Jesus by Righteousness compleat,
Our Souls can justify;
And bring us to his glorious Seat,
Above the lofty Sky.
- 6 He interceeds for us with God,
And brings us near the Throne,
Whence we receive his pard'ning Word,
For Jesus sake alone.
- 7 Jesus, is all the Name we boast,
For none but his is giv'n;
Whereby the Souls in Mis'ry lost,
Can be redeem'd to Heav'n.

- 12, 3 Now, dearest Jesus, thee we love,
Our Souls adore thy Name,
And when we reach thy Court above,
Our Praise shall be the same.

CLII. *The Path of the Just as the shining
Light, or the Saints Increase in Holiness and
Comfort. Prov. iv. 18.*

- 1 **T**HE Just, the Righteous, and the Good,
Whom Jesus purchas'd with his Blood
Are cleansed from the Guilt of Sin,
And by his Grace made pure and clean.
- 2 Their inward Principles divine,
With holy Fruit, and Beauty shine;
Devoted to their God they live,
And by his Grace, they grow and thrive.
- 3 Like as th' increasing Morning Ray
Brings the sweet Sun-shine of the Day.
So do their holy Works increase,
In Love, in Purity, and Peace.
- 4 In sacred Knowledge they improve,
With greater Exercise of Love;
Their sacred Virtues shine more bright,
Till they arrive at perfect Light.
- 5 Increasing Comforts give them Joy,
New Songs of Praise their Tongues employ,
Till the meridian Day shall come,
When they shall reach their blisful Home.

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- 6 So let us live, dear Lord, and grow
In all the sacred Graces now;
That we may mount the heav'nly Road,
And reach the Palace of our God.

CLIII. *Saints kept by Divine Power thro
Faith.* 1 Pet. i. 5.

- 1 **H**APPY the Saints who dwell on Earth,
Intitled by their heav'nly Birth;
To Joys unknown above the Skies,
To which thro' Faith they'll mount and rise.
- 2 Amidst Temptations, Griefs, and Snares,
Ten Thousand Dangers, Pains, and Fears;
Preserved by Almighty Pow'r,
They shall their Maker's Name adore.
- 3 Sin and the World oppose them here,
Satan resists with Rage severe,
Hell opens wide its flaming Door,
That they may fall to rise no more.
- 4 But Saints the Vict'ry shall obtain,
Thro' Faith in Christ, and with him reign
O'er Sin and Satan, Death and Hell,
And all the Pow'rs that dare rebell.
- 5 Their Pains and Griefs shall flee away,
Their darkest Night be turn'd to Day;
Their Dangers and Temptations cease,
And end in everlasting Peace.
- 6 Kept by the Pow'r of Sov'reign Grace,
And made compleat in Righteousness,
They shall be sav'd from ev'ry Woe,
And made secure in Glory too.

CLIV. *Searching our Ways with Desire to
turn unto the Lord.* Lam. iii. 40.

- 1 **WE** that have sinn'd against our God,
Deserve to bear his awful Rod;
We cannot stand if he contend,
And let his Bow against us bend.
- 2 Now let us search our Hearts and see,
What Sin and Unbelief there be;
Now let us search our Ways, and try
What Sins and Follies we can spy.
- 3 So let us turn to God again,
And suffer Sin no more to reign;
But turn from ev'ry evil Way,
In which our Souls have gone astray.
- 4 O let us search the Paths we've trod,
That so we may escape the Rod;
And walk no more in Paths unclean,
Where we have been defil'd by Sin.
- 5 Turn us, O God, and make us know,
The Path in which our Feet should go,
And if we must thy Rod endure,
O set our Feet on Ground secure.
- 6 Turn us again, great God, and shew,
What thine Almighty Grace can do;
Prepare us for thy blest Abode,
That we may ever dwell with God.

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- 7 Shew us the Riches of thy Grace,
And cloath our Souls with Righteousness,
O make us holy, just, and good,
By Virtue of the Saviour's Blood.
- 8 Then shall our Souls revolt no more,
By Sin and Folly as before ;
But strict Obedience pay to thee,
During a long Eternity.

CLV. *The Glory, Righteousness, and Victory of
the Saints.* Rev. vii. 14.

- 1 **B**EHOLD the Saints, how glorious bright!
Cloath'd in their Robes of brilliant White!
Wash'd in the Lamb's most precious Blood,
Who hath redeem'd their Souls to God !
- 2 Once they were sinful and unclean,
Defil'd by Adam's Mortal Sin ;
But Grace divine, their Souls renew'd,
And God his saving Mercy shew'd.
- 3 By Faith in Christ, who bled for Sin,
Their Souls were purify'd within ;
And by Obedience to his Word,
Became devoted to the Lord.
- 4 The Spirit, by converting Grace,
Turn'd them from Sin to Righteousness ;
And from Pollution set them free,
In Holiness and Purity.
- 5 While they pass'd thro' this Wilderness,
Of Persecution and Distress,
Great were their Pains, and Griefs, and Woes,
Temptations and Afflictions rose.

- 6 Dangers and Deaths beset them round,
And Tribulation sharp they found ;
While Satan and his Follow'rs strove,
To rend them from the God of Love.
- 7 But Faith victorious bore them thro',
And made them more than Conqu'rors too,
Whilst they profess the Saviour's Name,
And gave their Honours to the Lamb.
- 8 And now exalted, bright they shine,
With Aspects heav'nly and divine ;
And plac'd around their Father's Throne,
Have sacred Joys, to us unknown.

CLVI. *The Enmity of the Wicked against the Righteous.* Psalm lxxxiii. 3, 4, 5.

For the 5th of NOVEMBER.

- 1 **W**ITH crafty Counsel and Design,
Satan and wicked Men combine,
Against the righteous Sons of God,
And seek Revenge upon their Blood.
- 2 "Come let us cut them off," they cry,
"Their God's Almighty Pow'r defy,
"Let them no more a Nation be,
"But make them all before us flee.
- 3 "Destroy their Pow'r, blot out their Name,
"Bring on them all Reproach and Shame,
"And let their Mem'ry lie forlorn,
"Subject to Ridicule and Scorn."
- 4 Thus did the Heathen Nations boast,
Against the Sov'reign Lord of Host,
And shew'd their Enmity and Spite,
Against the Men of God's Delight.

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- 5 And thus the Papal Pow'rs have shown,
Their hatred to the British Throne;
And join'd their Efforts to withstand,
The Pow'r of an Almighty Hand.
- 6 "Come let us cut them off," they said,
"And lay them silent with the Dead;
"So shall we triumph o'er their Doom,
"And place us Conqu'rors in their Room."
- 7 But Isr'el, God defended still,
And made her Foes his Veng'ance feel;
He will his humble Sints secure,
So long as Earth and Time endure.
- 8 Let Britons Praise the God of Pow'r,
Who sav'd them in the dang'rous Hour;
And turn'd the Papal Schemes of Death,
To take away their boasting Breath.

CLVII. *The Victory of Christ's Death.*

John xii. 31, 32.

- 1 **N**OW, saith our Lord, "the Time is come,
"To judge a sinful World;
"Satan must meet his awful Doom,
"And from his Seat be hurl'd.
- 2 "When on my Cross I'm lifted up,
" 'Twill lead me to my Throne,
"And tho' I drink the bitter Cup,
"My Vict'ry shall be known.
- 3 "Tho' I must die and loose my Breath,
"And sink into the Tomb;
"I'll triumph o'er the Monster Death,
"And reach my Father's Home.

- 4 " Satan must fall beneath my Pow'r,
 " His Tyranny I'll break ;
 " When I pass thro' my painful Hour,
 " I'll make his Kingdom shake.
- 5 " When from the Dead I rise again,
 " I shall ascend on high ;
 " Forever on my Throne to reign,
 " No more to bleed and die.
- 6 " Then shall I send my Spirit down,
 " With his converting Grace,
 " To shew the Honours of my Crown,
 " And form a pious Race.
- 7 " On Satan shall my Veng'ance fall,
 " His Kingdom I'll destroy ;
 " The unbelieving World shall loose,
 " Their Triumph and their Joy.
- 8 " Salvation shall my Standard be,
 " To ev'ry captive Slave,
 " Who shall to me for Safety flee,
 " And pard'ning Mercy crave."

CLVIII. *Christ's Royalty and Kingdom.*
 John xviii. 37.

- 1 **J**ESUS was born a royal Prince !
 His Kingdom shall endure,
 And all the World he will convince,
 Of his resistless Pow'r.
- 2 In Righteousness he rules and reigns,
 And calls the World his own ;
 By valiant Vict'ry he obtains,
 The Honours of his Throne.

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- 3 He'll manifest his Pow'r and Might,
And Satan's Kingdom break;
His Armies he will put to flight,
And Satan captive take.
- 4 He'll make his own true Subjects share
With him in Vict'ry too;
Will set them free from ev'ry Snare,
Whilst they in Triumph go.
- 5 To introduce his Kingdom here,
He came from Heav'n above,
Descended to this lower Sphere,
With sacred Truth and Love.
- 6 Thro' painful Sufferings and Death
He spread the Truth abroad;
And witness'd to his dying Breath
The Truth of all his Word.
- 7 Blest are the Men who hear his Voice,
And love the Truths he spread;
He'll make their Hearts in him rejoice,
And raise them from the Dead.
- 8 Lord, sanctify us thro' thy Truth,
Unite our Souls to thee;
Then shall we praise thy sacred Name,
And thy rich Glories see.

CLIX. *The Treasures of Wisdom and Knowledge in Christ and his Gospel. Coloss. ii. 3.*

- 1 **G**OD has reveal'd his Son to Men,
And made his Wisdom known;
Has spread the Knowledge of his Name,
And Honours of his Throne.

- 2 The secret Counsels of his Will,
And Knowledge of his Love,
The Hearts of Men with Gladness fill,
Whilst Angels Praise above.
- 3 In Jesus, are his Treasures hid,
Of Pardon, Life, and Peace,
The Knowledge of his Gospel leads
To everlasting Bliss.
- 4 To know his Wisdom, Pow'r, and Grace,
Is Knowledge most divine;
His Wisdom and his Righteousness,
In holy Wonders shine.
- 5 The richest Treasures Heav'n can give,
Are found in Christ the Lord;
Sinners in him alone can live,
Their Treasure is his Word.
- 6 Pardon and Life, and endless Joy,
Are in his Gospel found,
O may his Praise our Tongues employ,
In one eternal round.

CLX. *The Angel's Testimony to the Birth and
Royalty of Christ.* Luke ii. ii.

- 1 JESUS, in Bethlehem was born,
And in the Manger lay;
The Angels blest the sacred Morn,
And sung the joyful Day.

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- 2 An Angel came from Heav'n to shew,
The Triumphs of his Birth ;
" Come, Shepherds, see your new-born King,
" The Sov'reign of the Earth.
- 3 " Jesus, the Saviour, ever blest,
" Whom God had promis'd long,
" Is sent to give you Peace and Rest,
" Raise your triumphant Song.
- 4 " This Infant shall your Saviour be,
" Who came from Heav'n above,
" Go Worship at his Feet, and see
" The Prince of Peace and Love.
- 5 " He is the Christ, th' anointed King,
" To sit on David's Throne ;
" To him your highest Honours bring,
" And make his Praises known."
- 6 Thus did the Angel, Witnesses bear,
To Christ, the Virgin's Son ;
And thus with sacred Truth declare,
The Wonders God had done.
- 7 Praise to our God, who sent to Men
A Saviour so divine ;
A royal Prince, a sov'reign Lord !
In whom his Glories shine !
- 8 Lord, may this Saviour set us free
From Sin, and Death, and Hell ;
Then shall we raise our Praise to thee,
And Saints thy Wonders tell.

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CLXI. *The Time of Death unknown to the Aged.* Genesis xxvii. 2.

FOR OLD PERSONS.

- 1 **T**HE Sentence of the Lord is just,
 "Sinners shall die, and turn to Dust,"
 And Death the oldest Man shall slay,
 Nor can he 'scape the solemn Day.
- 2 Time does our Strength and Lives impair,
 And bring the solemn Period near;
 When we must leave this World and go,
 To endless Bliss, or endless Woe.
- 3 Yet is the Time from us conceal'd,
 For God has not the Hour reveal'd;
 When Death shall strike his fatal Blow,
 And lay us in the Grave below.
- 4 Is Death so certain once to come,
 And fix our everlasting Doom?
 O let us Death prepare to meet,
 And lay him vanquish'd at our Feet.
- 5 Does Time upon her swiftest Wing,
 With speedy Haste this Tyrant bring
 O let us watch, and strive, and pray,
 Against the Terrors of the Day.
- 6 Lord, make us know how frail we are,
 And by thy Grace our Souls prepare,
 To pass the shady Valley thro',
 When we must bid this World adieu.

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- 7 Give us the Conquest, make us blest,
Then shall we die, and be at rest,
Ascending to our Father's Home,
Where Sin and Death can never come.
- 8 Then the dear Saviour we shall praise,
And sing his Name in heav'nly Lays,
Who by his Death did Death destroy,
And gave us Vict'ry, Life, and Joy.

CLXII. *The Possibility of dying this Year.*
Jerem. xxviii. 16.

FOR NEW-YEAR'S DAY.

- 1 JEHOVAH, is the sov'reign Lord,
Who form'd all Nature by his Word;
He gave to Man his Life and Breath,
Soon he dissolves that Life in Death.
- 2 Man broke the Cov'nant of his Peace,
And lost his Right to earthly Bliss,
And God in awful Justice said,
"Thy Dust, shall Dust again be made."
- 3 Under this Sentence we must lie,
The Sons of Men are born to die;
Death soon dissolves our Mortal Clay,
And sends the Spirit far away,
- 4 The Young, as well as Old, must go
To endless Happiness or Woe;
Ten Thousand Chances round them stand,
To execute the dread Command.

- 5 The Healthy and the Strong must die,
And to some distant Region fly,
Fix'd on that Sea without a Shore,
From whence they can return no more.
- 6 Time hastens on the solemn Hour,
When God shall shew his awful Pow'r;
And when we think our Dangers o'er,
Death stands but waiting at the Door.
- 7 God can pronounce the Word, and say,
" This Year I'll take thy Life away;
" This Child, that Youth, shall Death pursue,
" Whilst others I'll create anew."
- 8 Dear Lord, is this our dying State!
O make us all like Warriors wait,
Compleatly arm'd to meet the Foe;
And make us more than Conqu'rors too.

CLXIII. *The Saints Safety and Blessedness in
the Goodness and Mercy of God.*
Psalm xxiii. 6.

- 1 **T**HE Lord is good in all his Ways,
And Saints that trust his Name,
Shall find his Goodness all their Days,
Unchangeably the same.
- 2 His Mercy ever shall endure,
And Age to Age shall prove,
How greatly blest, how well secure,
The Objects of his Love,

- 3 He'll guide them thro' this Wilderness,
Of Sorrow, Sin, and Grief;
And in a Way of Righteousness,
Afford them sweet Relief.
- 4 Like as a Shepherd leads his Sheep
To Pastures fair and good;
He will the Saints in Safety keep,
And give them heav'nly Food.
- 5 The raging Lion shan't destroy
The feeblest of his Flock;
He'll be their Safety, Peace, and Joy,
And their eternal Rock.
- 6 He'll seek the Lost, the Lame restore,
And bring the Wand'ers home;
Nor shall the Lion's frightful Roar,
Prevent their safe Return.
- 7 He'll bring them to his House of Pray'r,
And there reveal his Love;
He'll lead them on with perfect Care,
Up to his Seat above.
- 8 There shall the Saints forever dwell,
In his secure Abode;
Triumphant o'er the Pow'rs of Hell,
Rejoicing in their God.

CLXIV. *Repentance and Forgiveness, with
refreshing Comforts.* Acts iii. 19.

- 1 **R**EPENT, and turn ye Sons of Men,
O turn and seek the Lord again;
Your Sins are great, your Guilt is large,
O tremble at the solemn Charge!

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- 2 Turn from your evil Ways and live,
 Your Homage to Jehovah give;
 Confess your Sins to him, and cry,
 "Lord, save us, that we may not die."
- 3 Come to the Saviour, he has giv'n,
 Jesus, the Lord, (who came from Heav'n)
 And to his Throne above the Skies,
 Lift up your penitential Eyes.
- 4 So shall your Sins be cancell'd well,
 And you redeem'd from Wrath and Hell;
 Jesus, the dreadful Debt will pay,
 And take your Loads of Guilt away.
- 5 Then shall you happy Seasons find,
 Of sweet Refreshment to the Mind,
 Of pard'ned Sin, and sacred Peace,
 With Hopes of everlasting Bliss.
- 6 God, from his Presence will bestow,
 The Comforts of his Spirit now;
 And when his awful Judgments come,
 He'll save you, or receive you Home.
- 7 But what Refreshment shall you have!
 When rising from the darksome Grave;
 You'll meet the glorious Lord of Love,
 And from his Presence ne'er remove.
- 8 Free from all Sin and Sorrow there,
 The Blessings of his Love shall share;
 Nor scorching Sun, or dismal Night,
 Shall interrupt your sweet Delight.

CLXV. *The Saints Security in the Death of Christ.* 1 Theff. v. 10.

- 1 **T**HE Saints in Christ are all secure,
And live a Life divine;
With him they live, and shall endure,
With him in Glory shine.
- 2 Altho' Afflictions and Distress,
With Pains and Griefs they bear;
With his Right-hand of Righteousness,
He will support them here.
- 3 Temptations may assault them now,
And Satan rage and roar;
But Christ will Grace and Strength bestow,
And bring them safe to Shore.
- 4 Should Persecution, Pain, and Death,
Destroy this Mortal Frame,
Yet shall they have immortal Breath,
And live with Christ the Lamb.
- 5 Tho' in the Grave their Bodies lie,
They shall be free from Pain;
And dwell with Christ above the Sky,
For they shall rise again.
- 6 Such Vict'ry hath our Lord obtain'd,
Who dy'd and shed his Blood;
And Life Immortal hath regain'd,
That we might dwell with God.

CLXVI. *Sinners reconciled to God thro' the
Death of Christ, and cleansed by his Blood.*
Coloss. i. 21, 22.

- 1 **T**HE awful Fact, how strangely true!
That Men forsake their God;
And by repeated Acts renew,
The Veng'ance of his Rod.
- 2 Estrang'd from God, they break his Law,
And Enemies become;
From Paths of Righteousness withdraw,
And seek a dreadful Doom.
- 3 But O how wond'rous is the Love!
Our sov'reign God has shown!
Who sent a Saviour from above,
To bring his Mercy down.
- 4 This Saviour is his only Son,
Who took our Flesh and dy'd,
For Sins and Follies we have done,
And turn'd his Wrath aside.
- 5 Such are the Virtues of his Death,
Our Souls he reconciles;
The Father saw his dying Breath,
And turn'd his Frowns to Smiles.
- 6 His Death redeem'd our Souls from Sin,
And purchas'd Grace divine;
He will present us pure and clean,
And all our Dross refine.

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- 7 There shall no Blemishes appear,
Amongst the Saints of God,
Whom Jesus sanctified here,
And cleansed with his Blood.
- 8 But they shall stand before his Throne,
In Raiment white as Snow;
Cloath'd in that spotless Righteousness,
Which Jesus wrought below.

CLXVII: *Approaching near to God with humble Reverence in a Time of public Calamity.*

FOR A FAST-DAY.

- 1 **O** Come with humble Fear!
With holy Reverence bow!
Before your sov'reign God draw near,
And plead his Mercy now.
- 2 His Judgments are unknown,
His mighty Veng'ance dread;
With Awe approach his lofty Throne,
Who strikes his Rebels dead.
- 3 There's Mercy with our God,
For those that seek his Face,
His Hand both holds the Iron Rod,
And Sceptre of his Grace.
- 4 And whilst he'll dash his Foes
With awful Veng'ance down,
He'll shew his pard'ning Love to those
Whom he has contrite found.

5 So let our contrite Souls,
Dear Lord, for Jesus sake,
When God his gracious Sceptre holds,
His pard'ning Love partake.

CLXVIII. *Salvation and Vengeance proclaimed
by Christ, with Comfort to Mourners.*

Isaiah lxi. 2.

- 1 JESUS, descending from above,
Proclaims the joyful Year,
Of pard'ning Mercy, Peace, and Love,
And brings Salvation near.
- 2 Redeems the Captive from his Woe,
And sets the Pris'ner free;
Directs the Pilgrim where to go,
And makes the Blind to see.
- 3 He'll free the Wounded from their Pain,
And all their Foes destroy;
Restore the Dead to Life again,
And fill their Hearts with Joy.
- 4 But those that dare despise his Grace,
And chose their captive State,
Shall feel the Terrors of his Wrath,
And find his Veng'ance great.
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Who neither Love or Fear.

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- 6 But humble Souls that mourn for Sin,
 Shall find his Mercy sure;
 He'll give them Peace and Joy within,
 And make their Bliss secure.
- 4 The weak and feeble shall be strong,
 Assisted by his Pow'r;
 And Praise and Vict'ry be their Song,
 In a distressing Hour.
- 8 Make us, dear Lord, with Joy to hear,
 And sweetly acquiesce,
 In all thy sacred Word declares,
 Of Grace and Righteousness.

CLXIX. *Penitent and humble Prayer in a
 Time of War.*

FOR A FAST-DAY.

- 1 **L**ET solemn Sounds now strike our Ears!
 Of humble Sighs and earnest Pray'rs;
 Whilst Penitent we weeping stand,
 To mourn the Follies of our Land.
- 2 Great God, we fear thine awful Pow'r,
 O turn thy Wrath, and Love restore;
 Lord, make our stubborn Hearts to bleed,
 Rather than Lines of Veng'ance Read.
- 3 Dispel our Darknes, give us Light,
 Turn off the Horrors of the Night;
 Shew us the Way we ought to go,
 And teach thy Servants what to do.

- 4 Let pointed Swords effuse no more,
The awful Floods of Purple Gore;
But cause Revenge and Hate to cease,
And turn the Rage of War to Peace.
- 5 May Britain's Sons, at Home, abroad,
Fear, and obey their sov'reign God;
Nor dare provoke his awful Ire,
For God is a consuming Fire.

CLXX. *Faith in Christ most precious.*
2 Pet. i. 1.

- 1 **H**OW precious to the Soul
Is Faith in Christ the Lord!
Who makes the broken Spirit whole,
And sends his pard'ning Word.
- 2 The Gospel of his Grace
Is full of Peace and Love;
Jesus will save a sinful Race,
And all their Guilt remove.
- 3 How precious is his Blood!
Which cleanseth us from Sin;
Redeems our captive Souls to God,
And makes our Natures clean.
- 4 How glorious to behold!
His perfect Righteousness!
Which merits that immortal Bliss,
The Saints in Heav'n possess.

- 5 O precious Faith, that takes
The Blessings of his Love!
Faith in the blessed Jesus, makes
Our Joys secure above.
- 6 Dear Lord, our Faith increase,
And make our Love sincere;
So shall our Souls have sacred Peace,
And we shall Praise thee here.

CLXXI. *The Dissolution of the World.*

2 Pet. iii. 11.

- 1 **B**EHOLD the Air, the Earth, and Sea!
With all the Works that in them be!
Curs'd for the sake of sinful Men;
By Fire shall be dissolv'd again.
- 2 O solemn Period! dreadful Day!
When Heav'n and Earth shall pass away!
This World of ours in Fire dissolve,
And Time no more in Years revolve.
- 3 Nature and Time shall be no more,
But awful Wrath and dreadful Pow'r,
In fierce dissolving Flames shall shew
What God's Almighty Wrath can do.
- 4 Then who can stand before his Face!
And where can Sinners find a place!
To screen them from the Flames of Wrath
Which shall dissolve the Heav'n and Earth!
- 5 And shall this Earth of our Abode
Be thus dissolved by our God;
Think O my Soul, how thou shalt stand,
Before the Veng'ance of his Hand!

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- 6 O fear and love the Sov'reign Lord;
Hear and obey his sacred Word;
With strict Obedience serve him now,
Before his Veng'ance make thee bow.
- 7 In holy conversation live,
And ev'ry Honour to him give;
Make Piety thy chiefeſt Care,
And walk in holy humble Fear.
- 8 And when his Terror thee alarms,
Then caſt thyſelf in Jeſus Arms,
Who dy'd to ſave a ſinful Race,
And turn conſuming Wrath to Grace.

CLXXII. *Chriſt the Gift of God to the Gentiles,
as well as Jews. Iſaiah xlix. 6.*

- 1 **T**HUS ſpake the Lord to Chriſt, and ſaid,
“Such is the Cov'nant I have made;
“The Gentiles ſhall thy Light receive,
“For all the Nations thee I'll give.
- 2 “That thou may'ſt make my Mercy known,
“Where e'er the circling Sun has ſhone,
“And to the Earth's remotest End,
“My Pardon and Salvation ſend.”
- 3 Chriſt did accept the Father's Love,
Deſcended from the Realms above;
The Work of Grace he did purſue,
And found his Father's Promise true.
- 4 He ſpreads his glorious Light abroad,
And Men confeſs him to be God;
The Gentile Nations hear his Fame,
Believe his Truth, and truſt his Name.

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- 5 He saves the Jew and Gentile too,
From present Guilt and future Woe;
He shed his Blood to ransom Souls,
He shews his Grace, and Wrath withholds.
- 6 He shall possess the Heathen Lands,
That follow his divine Commands;
And those that serve him now, shall see
How rich his Grace and Glories be.
- 7 Great God, how vast thy Wonders are!
No Love with things we can compare!
Who sent thy Søn to die for Men,
To conquer Death, to live and reign!
- 8 O may we thy Salvation know,
Grant us thy quick'ning Spirit now,
And fit us for the Realms above.
Where we shall ever praise thy Love.

CLXXIII. *The Wrath of God equal to our Fears.* Psalm xc. 11.

- 1 **T**HINK O my Soul, what dreadful Wrath
An angry God can shew;
Whose Pow'r can rend the solid Earth,
And pierce each Mortal thro'.
- 2 Almighty Veng'ance strikes his Foes
With awful Judgments here;
And will increase their future Woes,
With Torments most severe.
- 3 O God thy Terrors strike my Soul,
With most alarming Dread;
O let not fiery Veng'ance roll
Upon my guilty Head.

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- 4 Thy Wrath and Veng'ance none can know
But those that feel thy Pow'r,
In the dark Shades of Hell below,
Where Devils rage and roar.
- 5 That solemn Word of thine depart !
O Lord I cannot bear ;
It wounds my Soul, it breaks my Heart,
And all my Vitals tear !
- 6 Dear Jesus, to thine Arms I fly !
Nor will I let thee go ;
O save me that I may not die,
And sink in endless Woe.
- 7 O screen me from the Wrath of God !
And all my Guilt remove ;
Redeem me with thy precious Blood,
And turn his Wrath to Love.
- 8 Then shall my Soul with Joy rehearse,
The Wonders of thy Grace !
And Praise thee with exalted Verse,
In some celestial Place.

CXXIV, *The great Importance of Humility
and Penitence, with Acts of Obedience.*

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- 1 **W**ITH solemn Tears, and earnest Cries,
Let us approach the Lord ;
That he may hear our humble Sighs,
And speak some pard'ning Word.

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- 2 Our Sins and Guilt before him lie,
And we have cause to fear;
The Judgments of his Wrath are nigh,
His awful Veng'ance near.
- 3 Let us confess our Sins, and pray
With Penitence of Heart;
That God may turn his Wrath away.
Before we feel the Smart.
- 4 Let us with solemn Fastings mourn
The Follies we have done;
That God in Mercy may return,
And move his Wrath begun.
- 5 And whilst we fast and mourn for Sin,
Let us from Sin remove,
And shew our Penitence within,
By outward Acts of Love.
- 6 In strict Obedience to our God,
And Charity to Men,
Let us diffuse our Works abroad,
And turn to God again.
- 7 So shall the Blessings of his Grace
Be known, and felt anew;
And Britain be the happy Place,
Where God will Mercy shew.

CLXXV. *The Riches of Divine Grace to Sinners.* I Cor. vi. 11.

1 **A**LAS! how dreadful is the State
Of sinful Men, their Guilt how great!
Deprav'd, unclean, unholy too,
They forfeit Bliss, and merit Woe.

- 2 Such were the Saints when under Sin,
Their Natures were deprav'd, unclean;
But they are wash'd and sanctify'd,
Thro' Jesus Christ, who came and dy'd.
- 3 He shed his Blood to set them free,
From future Wrath and Misery;
And perfected his Righteousness,
To justify them by his Grace.
- 4 His Spirit shews their Souls the Way,
That leads to everlasting Day;
Their Nature sanctifies and gives
That Grace by which the Sinner lives.
- 5 Works in them Faith in Christ the Lord,
And guides them by his holy Word;
Applies the Blessings of his Death,
Which gives them an immortal Breath.
- 6 Jesus, how great this Love of thine!
O make these sacred Blessings mine!
Grant me thy Spirit here below,
That I may all thy Graces know.
- 7 O wash me thoroughly with thy Blood,
Redeem my guilty Soul to God;
O make my Nature pure and clean,
And turn my Heart from ev'ry Sin.
- 8 Then free from Folly, Sin, and Shame,
I shall forever Praise thy Name;
In the bright Realms of Joy above,
Transported with thy Grace and Love.

CLXXVI. *A solemn Confession of Sin and Weakness.* Job vii. 20.

- 1 **L**ORD we have sinn'd, what shall we do!
What shall we bring to thee!
How shall we 'scape eternal Woe!
From Mis'ry set us free!
- 2 O thou Preserver of our Race,
We nothing have to give;
Lord, shew thy Sov'reign Pow'r and Grace,
That so our Souls may live.
- 3 Our Lives, and all we have are thine,
O save thy Servant's, Lord;
And let thy Sov'reign Mercy shine,
The Glory of thy Word.
- 4 We're guilty, weak, and helpless worms,
And at thy Mercy lie;
Should thou inflict thy wrathful Storms,
Lord we must faint and die.
- 5 Lord, we deserve to feel thy Wrath,
Thy vengeful Hand endure;
But O remove the awful Curse,
And count our Sins no more.
- 6 Make us obedient to thy Voice,
Unite our Hearts to thee;
Then shall our Souls in God rejoice,
And his rich Glories see.

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- 7 We would lament our Follies past,
Abhor ourselves in Dust;
But rise and fly with ardent Haste,
When God is all our Trust.
- 8 Dear Lord, thy Son has dy'd for Sin,
We trust in Jesus Blood;
Which makes the vilest Sinners clean,
And bring their Souls to God.

CLXXVII. *The fallen Saint's free Confession
and Hope.* Psalm cxix. 176.

- 1 **L**ORD, I am sinful, vile, unclean,
My Feet have gone astray;
O cleanse my Soul from ev'ry Sin,
And lead me in thy Way.
- 2 Like as a foolish wand'ring Sheep,
I've trod on dang'rous Ground;
O may thy Grace thy Servant keep,
And let thy Love be found.
- 3 Tho' in a strange forbidden Land,
I've not forgot thy Word;
O make thy Servant understand
The Statutes of the Lord.
- 4 Turn me again and bring me Home,
That I may see thy Face;
Thy Servant, Lord, desires to come,
And will adore thy Grace.
- 5 The sweetest Tokens of thy Love,
Thy Servant, Lord, shall find;
When Grace descending from above,
Shall shew thy Mercies kind.

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- 6 I would forsake each vain Delight,
And give myself to thee;
O give me Evidences bright,
That I, my God, shall see.

CLXXVIII. *Christ's Sufferings and Glory.*
Psalm cx. 7.

- 1 **T**HUS saith the great prophetic Word
Of Jesus, our descending Lord;
"He shall pass thro' a painful Way;
"But gain the Vict'ry of the Day.
- 2 "While he pursues with ardent haste,
"The Brook of Tears is his Repast;
"His Blood shall like a River flow,
"Whilst he subdues his raging Foe.
- 3 "Heroic Faithfulness shall make
"His bleeding Hands the Conquest take;
"In dying, he shall Death destroy,
"And lift his Head with endless Joy.
- 4 "Satan and Sin, and Death and Hell;
"With all their Efforts will rebel;
"The World will join her Efforts too,
"To strike some sharp malicious Blow.
- 5 "With painful Suff'ring he shall die,
"Yet shall his Throne be set on high,
"And all his angry Foes be slain,
"Till none amongst them shall remain.
- 6 "Rich are the Honours of his Throne,
"Angels and Men his Pow'r shall own;
"And his immortal Glories be,
"The Praises of Eternity.

CLXXIX. *The inward Witness of Christianity.* I John v. 10.

- 1 **F**AR from my Soul ye Doubts be gone,
For Jesus is divine;
Exalted on his Father's Throne,
His wond'rous Glories shine.
- 2 His Gospel is the Word of Truth,
His Promises are sure;
His Precepts holy, wise, and just,
And all his Ways are pure.
- 3 His Sov'reign Grace is rich and free,
His Love is infinite;
His Truth and Justice well agree,
And Peace is his Delight.
- 4 His inward Witness seals the Soul
That trusts his sacred Name;
He'll make the broken Spirit whole,
And pard'ning Love proclaim.
- 5 How sweet his Testimonies are!
To them that know the Lord;
The Tokens of his Love declare
The Blessings of his Word.
- 6 Pardon and Peace, and Holiness,
Their inward Witness give,
That thro' his Grace and Righteousness,
They shall forever live.

CLXXX. *The Promulgation, Use, and Abolition of the Law of Moses.* Gal. iii. 19.

- 1 'T WAS to convince of Death and Sin,
And prove to Men they were unclean,
The sacred Law of God was giv'n,
By holy Angels sent from Heav'n.
- 2 Deliver'd into Moses' Hands,
With sanctions of divine Commands;
"Obey my Law, do this and live,
"And Life and Blessings I will give."
- 3 Moses a Mediator made,
The People by this Cov'nant led;
That by the sanctions of this Law,
He might their Lives t' Obedience draw.
- 4 And by this legal Cov'nant shew,
Not all that sinful Men can do,
Can e'er their Sin and Guilt remove,
Or fit them for the Realms above.
- 5 The Blood of Beasts on Altars shed,
Did but declare the Sinner dead,
And represent to ev'ry Eye,
That Sinners ought themselves to die.
- 6 Yet when they saw the Victim bleed,
Their Faith beheld the promis'd Seed;
That was to come, and shed his Blood,
To bring lost Sinners home to God.

- 7 When Christ the promis'd Saviour came,
And was himself the bleeding Lamb,
The Jewish Sacrifices slain,
Lost all their Use, and were but Vain.
- 8 Then what the Law could never do,
In saving Men from Sin and Woe;
Jesus accomplish'd by his Blood,
In reconciling Souls to God.

CLXXXI. *The Old and New Covenants.*
Heb. ix. 15.

- 1 OUR God, how wond'rous are his Ways !
How vast his Grace, how great his Praise!
Before the World in order stood,
He was omniscient, wise, and good.
- 2 The Cov'nant of his Grace he made,
With Christ the Lord our sov'reign Head,
To save from Death apostate Men,
And bring them to their God again.
- 3 He made his wond'rous Mercy known,
Instead of Veng'ance from his Throne;
To Adam, Abrah'm, and his Race,
And by his Oath confirm'd his Grace.
- 4 And that he might preserve them free,
From Satan and Idolatry,
With solemn Majesty and Awe,
He made them know his sacred Law.
- 5 Secur'd by Sanctions just and pure,
This Law shall for our Guide endure;
But Sinners by this Law condemn'd,
Must by the Saviour be redeem'd.

- 6 For this our gracious God renew'd
The Cov'nant, where he Mercy shew'd;
And sent a Saviour from Above,
To seal the Pardons of his Love.
- 7 Jesus, his Son, this Love secur'd,
By Pains and Sufferings he endur'd,
Who, when he shed his precious Blood,
Redeem'd our guilty Souls to God.
- 8 Let all the Saints of Ages past,
And ev'ry Age whilst Time shall last,
Rehearse the Honours of his Name,
And give their Praise to Christ the Lamb.

CLXXXII. *The Faith of Saints under the
Old Testament and the New.*

Heb. xi. 39, 40.

- 1 **T**HE Saints in Ages past
Believ'd their Maker, God;
With Chearfulness obey'd his Will,
And patient bore his Rod.
- 2 They trusted in his Word,
By his own Oath secur'd;
By Faith rely'd upon the Lord,
And Suff'rings sharp endur'd.
- 3 By various Works they wrought,
And Suff'rings which they bore;
Their Faith obtain'd a good Report,
And Riches laid in store.

- 4 But God the wise and just,
Withheld the Promise still;
That Ages yet to come might trust,
And seek to do his Will.
- 5 And when the Period came,
His Wisdom had ordain'd,
To manifest his glorious Name,
The Promise we obtain'd.
- 6 Jesus the promis'd Seed,
In Faithfulness was giv'n,
By whom in fairest Lines, we read
The Way that leads to Heav'n.
- 7 By Faith in him we live,
And let our Faith be strong;
For Jesus can Salvation give,
And make his Praise our Song.
- 8 By Faith let us obey,
And suffer for his Sake;
So shall we reach eternal Day,
And heav'nly Bliss partake.

CLXXXIII, *God's Mercies and Judgments.*
Ezra viii. 22.

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I **J**EHOVAH is the living God,
He holds the Sceptre and the Rod;
Judgments and Mercies down he sends,
To crush his Foes and crown his Friends.

- 2 And those that seek the Lord, shall find
His Mercies sure, his Goodness kind;
He will protect them from their Foes,
And set them free from all their Woes.
- 3 He'll hear their Cries and give them Rest,
When false Invaders them molest;
He'll bless them in their lawful Ways,
And turn their Sighs and Tears to Praise.
- 4 But those that dare forsake the Lord,
And act contrary to his Word,
Shall find his flaming Wrath devour,
And feel the Veng'ance of his Pow'r.
- 5 His Hand against them will be strong,
His awful Wrath he will prolong;
And dreadful Veng'ance on them pour,
Till they shall fall and rise no more.
- 6 When God shall threat'ning Judgments show,
In fearful Signs to Men below;
'Tis Time to seek his Face, and pray
That he would turn his Wrath away.
- 7 Let Britain all her Sins bemoan,
And ev'ry Heart with humble Groan,
Repent and turn to God again;
So shall the Lord her State maintain.

CLXXXIV. *The hidden Life of a Christian.*
Coloss. iii. 3.

- 1 **T**HE Christian who is dead to sin
Is made alive again;
His Spirit is renew'd within,
And Sin no more shall reign.

- 2 His Lust and Sins are crucify'd
By a superior Pow'r;
Conquer'd by Faith in Christ that dy'd,
And they shall rise no more.
- 3 To Flesh and Sin he's truly dead,
And by this Death shall live;
In Jesus Christ the living Head,
Who has new Life to give.
- 4 The World admire and think it strange
To see this Change appear;
Their roving Thoughts, wild Mazes range,
But find no heav'nly Cheer.
- 5 The Christian walks that narrow Way
Which Sinners cannot find;
Who wander foolishly astray,
Whom Sin and Satan blind.
- 6 This happy Life with Christ in God,
Is hid from Mortal Eyes;
Safe in his Father's blest Abode,
Above the lofty Skies.
- 7 Give us this Life, O dearest Lord!
Which nothing can remove;
Guide us by thine unerring Word,
To Realms of Life above.
- 8 Then shall we live in Peace below,
And Praise thy wond'rous Name;
In Heav'n thy richer Glories know,
And live with Christ the Lamb.

CLXXXV. *Christ rejoicing in the Success of his Gospel.* Luke x. 21.

- 1 **T**HERE was a Time when Christ rejoic'd
To see his Gospel spread;
He lifted up his sacred Voice,
And thus, rejoicing, said.
- 2 "Father I thank thee, Lord of Pow'r,
"Who sends thy Truth abroad;
"And Men and Angels shall adore
"The Wonders of their God.
- 3 "The Wise and Prudent have not known
"The Grace that reigns above;
"To Babes and Infants thou hast shown
"The Wonders of thy Love.
- 4 "So be it Father, Lord of Heav'n!
"And Sov'reign of the Earth!
"Thy Sov'reign Pleasure thus hath giv'n
"The new Creation birth."
- 5 Dear Jesus, we rejoice with thee,
And Praise thy Father too;
O may our Souls these Wonders see,
And thy rich Graces know.
- 6 Then shall our infant Knowledge rise
To Glory and to Bliss;
And we shall live above the Skies,
In endless Joy and Peace.

CLXXXVI. *God's Presence with those that seek him.* 2 Chron. xv. 2.

- 1 **H**OW condescending is our Lord!
How kind and gracious is his Word!
His Promise is forever sure,
His tender Mercies long endure.
- 2 Those that profess his sacred Name,
And make his Glory all their Aim,
The Visits of his Grace shall know,
'Midst all their Trials here below.
- 3 Whoever seeks his Face shall find
His Love and Mercy ever kind;
He will be found of them, and give
That Grace by which their Souls shall live.
- 4 He'll hear the humble Suppliant's Prayer,
Take him beneath his tender Care;
Shew him the Friendship of his Love,
And send him Blessings from above.
- 5 But if base Mortals dare forsake
The God whose Blessings they partake,
He will forsake them too, and show
What Mercy turn'd to Wrath can do.
- 6 He'll let them perish in the Way,
In which they chuse to go astray;
His awful Wrath against them turn,
And make his fiery Veng'ance burn,

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7 Dear Lord, we've gone astray from thee,
But would return again, and be
Thy willing Servants to fulfil,
The holy Precepts of thy Will.

8 O may we find the Way of Peace,
That leads to everlasting Bliss ;
And when our Time on Earth is gone,
Receive us to thine heav'nly Throne.

CLXXXVII. *The living Word of Christ.*
John vi. 63.

- 1 **T**HE Flesh without the Spirit dies,
And useless and inactive lies ;
The Spirit quickens all the Frame,
And gives the Flesh its living Name.
- 2 'Tis not the Word or Letter giv'n,
Without the Spirit sent from Heav'n,
Can Sinners dead to Life restore,
And give them Life to die no more.
- 3 The quick'ning Spirit of the Lord,
Gives Life to all his sacred Word ;
The Words of Christ with living Pow'r,
Can Life, and Peace, and Joy restore.
- 4 His Words receiv'd with Faith and Love,
Can fit us for the Realms above ;
Bring us to Life and make us know,
What Wonders his rich Grace can do.
- 5 He is that living Bread from Heav'n,
By which eternal Life is giv'n ;
His sacred Blood once shed for Sin,
Redeems our Souls and makes us clean.

- 6 The hungry Soul he'll satisfy,
The thirsty Spirit he'll supply;
His Words are sweet, his Pow'r is great,
His Love and Righteousness compleat.
- 7 Now let us hear his Word and live,
For he can Life and Glory give;
And will those humble Souls receive,
That on his glorious Name believe.
- 8 Lord, we believe thy Words are true,
Do thou, dear Lord, our Souls renew;
And give us Life forever more,
Then thy rich Grace we shall adore.

CLXXXVIII.. *No Riches can redeem the Soul.*
Psalm xlix. 8.

- 1 **W**HAT can redeem th' immortal Soul,
And set the Sinner free?
Can the rich Mines of Indian Gold
An equal Ransom be?
- 2 Where can the Pearl be found below,
With equal Worth to pay,
The dreadful Debt that Sinners owe,
And turn their Guilt away?
- 3 Or can the Blood of Creatures shed,
Turn awful Wrath to Love?
Can Bulls and Goats to slaughter led,
The dreadful Guilt remove?

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- 4 What are the Riches of the Earth !
Or Gold or Silver ore ?
Consum'd by one fierce flame of Wrath,
They can exist no more.
- 5 What if the Beasts the Sinner kills,
And Blood in Rivers pour !
The Cattle on a thousand Hills,
Were all the Lords before !
- 6 Nor can a Sea of human Blood !
Wash off the dismal Stain ;
But Mis'ry like a raging Flood,
O'erwhelms the Soul with Pain.
- 7 This Ransom must forever cease,
To Men and Angels too ;
The Price of Pardon and of Peace,
Exceeds what e'er they do.
- 8 How rich the Stream of Jesus Blood
Pour'd out upon the Cross !
Which can redeem our Souls to God,
And well repair our Loss.

CLXXXIX. *The awful Majesty of God in his Power over the Elements.*

OCCASIONED BY A STORM OF THUNDER,
HAIL, AND WIND, DECEMBER 31, 1778,
AND JANUARY 1, 1779.

1 THUNDER and Storm, and Hail, and
Wind obey,
Th' Almighty God, and he directs their Way;
His awful Voice with dreadful Thunders roar,
And Light'nings on the Earth his Veng'ance
pour;

When God sends forth the Elements before him,
Let Sinners tremble while the Saints adore him!

2 He makes the Storms with dreadful Fury rage,
And awful Veng'ance on the Earth presage;
All Nature must submit to his Decree, [free.
And none can set themselves from Veng'ance
When this awful God his storms of Wrath sends
down,

None can stay his Hand, or bear his dreadful Frown.

3 He pours his Hail with Veng'ance thro' the Air,
Threat'ning Destruction to each Creature there,
Descending from on high with awful Sound,
It strikes the Earth, and rolls upon the Ground.

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The God of Veng'ance fills th' Expanse with stores
of Wrath,

And his Thunder sends to shake the solid Earth.

4 The boist'rous Winds he holds within his Fist,
And sends them forth to blow where e'er he lists;
Their raging Forces lay all Cedars low,
And strike through Edifices as they go.

On the mighty Winds he rides with Majesty,
Whilst affrighted Nature at his Presence fly.

5 This awful God, how mighty is his Hand!
Sinners can ne'er before his Presence stand!
When e'er he makes his awful Judgments known!
Or shews the Glories of his lofty Throne!

When he'll rend the Sky and burn the Earth away,
How shall Sinners bear the Terrors of the Day!

6 But let the Saints with Awe profound rejoice!
When they shall hear the Thunders of his Voice;
Tho' Nature burns with a destructive Flame,
This shall not hurt the Follow'rs of the Lamb.
Fire and awful Wrath must be the Sinner's Doom,
Whilst the Saint shall rise to his celestial Home.

7 In those bright Realms above the lofty Sky,
Where Thunders never roar or Light'nings fly;
But Day unclouded shall forever shine,
From the bright Glories of the Throne divine.
Where his heav'nly Glories no Eclipse can know,
Where the Saints shall be secure from Scenes of Woe.

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8 In Safety, Peace, and Calmness, they shall dwell,
 No more shall rising Floods of Sorrow swell;
 But made secure in heav'nly Glories bright,
 Shall ever joy in transports of Delight.
 Join all ye Saints in Praise for your Salvation,
 And spread his Wonders thro' the whole Creation.

9 Long as Eternity your Joys endure,
 Firm as the Heav'ns your Bliss shall be secure;
 Nor can the awful Wreck of Worlds, remove
 The sweet Enjoyments of immortal Love.
 In the happy Mansions of eternal Rest,
 God, the Sov'reign, makes his Saints forever blest.

10 There he will fill them with the Joys of Heav'n,
 Where his rich Glories to his Saints are giv'n;
 Where awful Scenes of Wrath are known no
 more,
 But Saints with Angels shall their God adore.
 Now lift up your Heads and view his Glories there,
 Where his Storms of Wrath no more shall make you
 fear.

CXC. *The Servants readiness for their Lord's
 coming. Luke xii. 35.*

1 **D**EAR Lord, we would thy Servants be,
 Make us obedient, Lord, to thee;
 May we gird up our Loins, and do
 What e'er our Duty calls us to.

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- 2 Make us both strong and active Lord,
And we'll perform thy sacred Word ;
With Patience for thy Presence wait,
And watchful stand before thy Gate.
- 3 No slothful Slumbers would we take,
But keep our active Souls awake ;
And let our Lamps continual burn,
Against our dearest Lord's return.
- 4 Amidst the watches of the Night,
Thy Work shall be our sweet Delight ;
As Guards before thy Gate we'll stand,
With Weapons ready in each Hand.
- 5 May Truth, Fidelity, and Love,
Our Faith and strict Obedience prove ;
Then will our Lord his Servants own,
And bring them to his glorious Throne.
- 6 Where he will on his Servants wait,
Amidst the Glories of his State ;
And give each faithful Servant there,
A Crown of Righteousness to wear.
- 7 Nor Death or Judgment shall surprize,
The Watchings of our wakeful Eyes ;
But with our Lamps prepar'd we'll meet,
Prostrate before our Sov'reign's Feet.
- 8 Lord, we would long for thee to come,
And bring us to thy heav'nly Home ;
Where all our watchful Cares shall cease,
In Joys of Pleasure and of Peace.

CXCI. *The Gospel a Message of Comfort to Sinners.* Mark x. 49.

- 1 **O** Thou awak'ned Sinner hear!
What the rich Words of Grace declare!
Receive the Messages of Love!
Sent to thee from the Realms above.
- 2 Take Courage now and joyful be,
Jesus, himself, now calls to thee;
Rise up, and to the Saviour go,
Who can redeem thy Soul from Woe.
- 3 Let no Incumbrance thee delay,
But quickly speed the joyful Way;
And if thou can'st not see the Road,
Enquire the Way that leads to God.
- 4 Tell the dear Saviour all thy Grief,
Ask him to give thy Soul relief,
From Sin and Satan's cruel Chains,
From future Wrath and endless Pains.
- 5 Trust in his wond'rous saving Pow'r,
Thy Saviour bless, thy God adore;
And let thy Faith in him be strong,
Then shall Salvation be thy Song.
- 6 For Jesus will restore thy Sight,
And bring thee to his heav'nly Light;
Redeem thy Soul from Sin and Death,
To Praise him with immortal Breath.

CXCII. *Christians exhorted to fear God in this state of their Pilgrimage.* 1 Pet. i. 17.

- 1 **N**OW ye that sojourn here below,
And pass thro' unknown Ways;
Fear ye the Lord where e'er you go,
And sound his constant Praise.
- 2 Here you can find no lasting Home,
Nor is your Portion here;
But seek a Portion in your God,
And his great Name revere.
- 3 The end of all Things here will come;
When you no more shall be,
Strangers and sojourners from Home,
But God, your Father, see.
- 4 Such are the Riches of his Grace,
And Wonders of his Love!
His Son has well prepar'd a Place,
Within the Realms above.
- 5 Where you will be forever free
From all your Griefs and Fears;
Sorrow and Pain shall ever flee,
And Joy succeed your Tears.
- 6 Strong are your Obligations now,
To Fear and Love the Lord;
Whilst yet you sojourn here below,
And trust upon his Word.

CXCIII. *Steadfastness in the Profession of
Christian Faith.* Heb. x. 23.

- 1 **N**OW we profess to own the Lord,
And trust upon his sacred Word!
Believe his Gospel to be true,
And find his Grace our Souls renew.
- 2 We own the blessed Jesus Name,
Who for our great Salvation came,
In him most glorious Beauties shine,
His grand Commission was divine.
- 3 His Life unblameable and pure,
His Doctrines true, his Promise sure,
His mediatorial Work compleat,
And his redeeming Mercy great.
- 4 In him we now our Faith profess,
And own the Riches of his Grace,
With Hope in him for Joys to come,
Within his Father's sacred Home.
- 5 We would the glorious Hope hold fast,
So long as Life and Breath shall last,
And let not Satan, Sin, or Shame,
Make us disown his glorious Name.
- 6 We'll trust upon the God of Love,
Who never will his Grace remove,
Whose Promise is forever sure,
And shall thro' ev'ry Age endure.

CXCIV. *The Saint seeking the Knowledge of
God, with pious Resolutions to obey him.*
Psalm lxxxvi. 11.

- 1 **T**EACH me, O Lord, thine own right Way,
Let not thy Servant go astray ;
But guide his Feet within the Road,
That leads him safe to thine Abode.
- 2 Teach him thy Word, and make him know,
The various Duties he must do ;
Lord, make him ev'ry Hour fulfil,
The sov'reign Pleasure of thy Will.
- 3 May he thy sacred Footsteps trace,
And know thy Providence and Grace ;
Admire thy Wisdom, Truth, and Love,
And all thy holy Ways approve.
- 4 Shew him the greatness of thy Pow'r,
The Blessings of thy Love restore ;
Thy gracious Spirit now impart,
And write thy Law upon his Heart.
- 5 When thou shalt teach thy Servant, Lord,
He will obey thy sacred Word ;
Walk in thy Truth and keep thy Ways,
With solemn Reverence and Praise.
- 6 Unite his Heart, O God, to thee,
Set him from each false Object free ;
May he forever fear thy Name,
And thy rich Glories loud proclaim.

- 7 Thy Servant, Lord, would earnest pray,
 Let not thy Favours long delay;
 But make thy Grace and Mercy known,
 Whilst his Addresses reach thy Throne.
- 8 Then shall thy Servant's Heart be set,
 To seek the Way to Zion's Gate;
 His Feet shall run the Way of Peace,
 That leads him to thine heav'nly Bliss.

CXCV. *The Deceitfulness of the human Heart.*
 Jeremiah xvii. 9.

- 1 **H**OW awful is the state of Man!
 His Heart deceiv'd by Sin,
 Is false and treacherous, and vain,
 Unholy and unclean.
- 2 Deceiv'd by craft of subtle Snares,
 His Sorrows never cease;
 But fill'd with fruitless Pains and Cares,
 He loses all his Peace.
- 3 By Principles of Sin misled,
 He wanders far astray;
 And seeks for Life amongst the Dead.
 In Sins destructive Way.
- 4 The Heart when govern'd by Deceit,
 Becomes exceeding vile;
 Desp'rate in Wickedness and Guilt,
 Which does the Soul defile.

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- 5 Who can describe the Evil hid
Within the Heart, and see
The treach'rous Follies there conceal'd,
And know how vile they be?
- 6 What will the worthless Sinner do!
When God shall search his Heart;
Pronounce upon him endless Woe,
And make him feel the Smart?
- 7 But, Lord, thy Wisdom, Pow'r, and Grace,
Can change this Heart of Sin;
Lead us in Ways of Righteousness,
And make our Natures clean.
- 8 O search our Hearts, and try our Reins,
And turn us, Lord, to thee;
That from our Guilt and future Pains,
Thy Grace may set us free.

CXCVI. *A sinful People invited to return by
the Promise of pard'ning Mercy.*
Isaiah i. 16, 17, 18, 19, 20.

FOR A FAST-DAY.

- 1 JUDAH, the Nation blest of God,
Sinn'd and provok'd his awful Rod;
Britons too much like Judah's Race,
Rebel against the God of Grace.
- 2 The Sins that were in Judah found,
Polute this Isle, defile the Ground;
Ignorance, Vanity, and Pride,
Extend their Follies far and wide.

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- 3 Thus saith the Lord, " Now wash ye clean,
" Depart from each defiling Sin !
" Put far away out of my Sight,
" The Follies of your vain Delight.
- 4 " Cease from your evil Ways, and now
" Before my sacred Footstool bow ;
" Learn ye the Ways of Righteousness,
" So shall the Lord your Nation bless.
- 5 " Seek Judgment, give to each their Due,
" Your acts of Charity renew ;
" Relieve th' oppressed in Distress,
" The Widow and the Fatherless.
- 6 " Come now and let us Reason here,
" Justice and Mercy I declare ;
" Repent, return, forsake your Ways,
" Obey your God, and sound his Praise.
- 7 " Then shall your Sins of Scarlet dye,
" Be white as Snow beneath the Sky ;
" And tho' with Crimson red they stain,
" They shall be white as Wool again.
- 8 " If you obey and humble stand,
" You shall enjoy your goodly Land ;
" But if you dare resist the Lord,
" He will destroy you with the Sword."
- 9 Hear O ye Britons ! and attend,
See how your God would be your Friend ;
And fear the Terrors of his Wrath,
Who can destroy you on the Earth.
- 10 Repent in Time, and Sin no more,
Obey your God, his Name adore ;
Then will he save your happy Isle,
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Then will he save your happy Isle,
And bless you with his sov'reign Smile.

CXCVII. *Death the Wages of Sin, and Life the Gift of God.* Rom. vi. 23.

- 1 **T**HE Wages due to Sin are Death,
With Torments of immortal Woe;
When Sinners lose their Mortal Breath,
To everlasting Pains they go.
- 2 Sinners condemn'd by the Law,
Rewards of penal Suff'rings share,
To works of Sin most justly due,
And must the awful Veng'ance bear.
- 3 Sin brings on Death, with all its train
Of Woes and Horrors yet to come;
And future Mis'ry, Grief, and Pain,
Must be the Sinner's lasting Doom.
- 4 But Life eternal God will give,
To Sinners that repent and turn;
Thro' Faith in Christ their Souls shall live,
And Wrath no more against them burn.
- 5 Christ hath appeas'd the Wrath of God,
And conquer'd Satan, Death, and Sin;
Redeemed Sinners by his Blood,
To Life and Joy, and Peace again.
- 6 God of his own rich sov'reign Grace!
Pardons our Sins for Jesus sake;
And thro' his perfect Righteousness,
We of immortal Life partake.

CXCVIII. *The most holy Christian imperfect here.* 1 Cor. iv. 4.

- 1 **T**HE great Apostle truly said,
 " My Conscience pure and holy made,
 " Accuse me not of Sin and Shame,
 " But leads me to adore the Lamb.
- 2 " Yet do I not pretend to shew
 " Perfection here in all I do ;
 " Nor justify myself from Sin,
 " For only Christ can make me clean.
- 3 " I must be judged by my Lord,
 " According to his sacred Word ;
 " Who knows the Secrets of mine Heart,
 " And will pronounce my just Desert."
- 4 No more can we ourselves secure,
 From secret Sins and Thoughts impure ;
 Nor justify ourselves to God,
 Or 'scape the Veng'ance of his Rod.
- 5 But happy if the Conscience be
 Like Paul's, from Accusation free ;
 While we rely on sov'reign Grace,
 Thro' Jesus perfect Righteousness.
- 6 O may we walk in humble Fear,
 With anxious Diligence and Care ;
 That when the Judgment Day shall come,
 Jesus may take us to his Home.

CXCIX. *Fleeing for Refuge to the Hope of the Gospel.* Heb. vi. 18.

- 1 **H**OW dreadful is our State by Sin?
How great our Mis'ries here?
What dreadful Dangers are we in
Of future Wrath severe?
- 2 Let us from Sin and Danger fly,
And turn to God again;
Before we sink, and droop and die,
In everlasting Pain.
- 3 O let us trust in Christ the Lord,
And seek his pard'ning Love;
Trust in the Promise of his Word,
And ne'er from him remove.
- 4 In him is all our Refuge found,
Of Pardon, Life, and Peace;
For he can heal the Sinner's Wound,
And give him heav'nly Bliss.
- 5 Let us hold fast th' exalted Hope,
His Word presents to view;
With eager Haste and anxious Eye,
The glorious Prize pursue.
- 6 So shall we find a safe retreat,
From all our Sins and Woes;
And in his glorious Kingdom meet,
A long and sweet Repose.

CC. *God's tender Care, Defence, and Protection of his Church.* Isaiah xxxi. 5.

- 1 **H**APPY the Church, secure her State !
Her Bulwarks strong, her Blessings great !
Tho' she may be alarm'd, distress'd,
Her God will make her rich and blest.
- 2 Such is his watchful tender Care,
When Birds rapacious make her fear ;
He'll quickly fly to her Relief,
Remove her Fears and sooth her Grief.
- 3 He'll kindly hover o'er her Breast,
Like Birds that well secure their Nest,
And hover o'er their tender Brood,
Whilst rav'nous Birds still haunt the Wood.
- 4 His all-protecting Wings he'll spread,
And strike th' insulting Rebels dead ;
Preserve his Church, and set her free,
And force her cruel Foes to flee.
- 5 He will his sacred Church defend,
And be her constant Guide and Friend ;
When Death or Danger draweth nigh,
He'll pour his Veng'ance from the Sky.
- 6 When the destroying Angel comes,
Fierce as the Lion when he foams,
He'll hasten forward, leap before,
And cover well the sacred Door.

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- 7 His Presence and his Pow'r shall stand,
To guard his Church with lifted Hand,
To strike the boldest Rebel down,
That dares attempt the sacred Ground.
- 8 Let all the Saints rejoice and sing,
Salvation to their God and King;
Trust in his Name, and fear no more,
But his rich Grace and Love adore.

CCl. *The afflicted Saint's Confidence of Trust
in God. Job xiii. 15.*

- 1 **I**N all my Trials, all my Straits,
My Soul for God's Salvation waits;
Tho' I'm afflicted and distress'd,
My God will give me Peace and Rest.
- 2 What tho' his Rod should strike me sore,
I shall not fall to rise no more;
The Hand that lays me low in Grief,
Shall minister to my Relief.
- 3 Should he afflict and try me still,
I'll patient bear his sov'reign Will;
And should he break mine Heart in two,
I will not let his Mercy go.
- 4 He is the all-sufficient God,
He knows the Veng'ance of his Rod;
He'll strike me with the strictest Care,
And hearken to my humble Pray'r.

- 5 What tho' he slays my Mortal Frame,
His Pow'r and Goodness is the same;
And should he hence my Life remove,
He'll take me to the Realms above.
- 6 In Life and Death I'll trust his Pow'r,
Who will his Grace and Love restore;
And raise my feeble Dust again,
Forever free from Grief and Pain.
- 7 O dearest Lord ! in Mercy spare !
And make my Life thy tender Care;
Afflict no more, but stay thine Hand,
Whilst I thy trembling Suppliant stand.
- 8 Restore my Comforts, Lord, and shew
What sov'reign Grace and Pow'r can do;
Be thou, my God, forever nigh,
And my eternal Joy on high.

CCII. *Saints chosen in the Furnace of Affliction.*
Isaiah xlviii. 10.

- 1 **T**HE Lord Jehovah from his Throne,
Still makes his Grace and Mercy known;
And shews the Honours of his Name,
Wide as his vast extensive Reign.
- 2 Such are the Wonders of his Grace,
He choseth Sinners of our Race;
Calls them his Children whom he loves,
And all their Sins and Guilt removes.

- 3 To turn them from their sinful Ways,
And fit them for his heav'nly Praise;
He leads them thro' this Vale of Tears,
Amidst Ten thousand Grievs and Fears.
- 4 He tries them in the Furnace now,
And by Affliction makes them bow;
He gently strikes them with his Rod,
Till they profess and own their God.
- 5 He makes each Saint the Furnace bear,
With pity'ng Eye and tender Care,
To purge their sinful Dross away,
And purify their Mortal Clay.
- 6 To fit them for the Realms above,
There to enjoy his constant Love;
Free from the least alloy of Sin,
Perfectly holy, pure, and clean.
- 7 May I but thus, dear Lord, be blest,
Within the Realms of Peace and Rest;
I'll patient bear thy sov'reign Will,
Shouldst thou afflict and try me still.
- 8 But, dearest Lord, whilst thou shalt prove
My Faith, my Patience, and my Love,
O send thy Servant some Relief,
To ease his Pain, and sooth his Grief.

CCIII. *The blessedness of owning and receiving
Christ. Luke vii. 23.*

- 1 **B**LEST is the Man who truly loves
Jesus, th' incarnate Word;
Descending from the Realms above,
And owns him for his Lord.

- 2 Rejoices in his sacred Birth,
With Wonder and with Love ;
And in his humble Life on Earth,
With Praise to God above.
- 3 Believes his Doctrines all divine,
His faithful Promise trusts ;
And sees his heav'nly Grace's shine,
When cloath'd in human Dust.
- 4 Who glories in his Saviour's Cross,
That suffer'd, bled, and dy'd ;
And sees recov'ry of his Loss,
In Jesus wounded Side.
- 5 Who nor desires, or seeks to have
These worldly Honours here ;
But follows Jesus to the Grave,
And sheds an humble Tear.
- 6 Beholds him rising from the Dead,
With vast and glad Surprise !
And owns him for his glorious Head,
Whilst yet he sees him rise.
- 7 He shall be blest with Peace below,
And greater Joys above ;
His blessed Lord and Saviour know,
And find his cov'nant Love.
- 8 Dear Lord, we own thy glorious Name,
And give ourselves to thee ;
O may we e'er thy Love proclaim,
And thy rich Glories see.

CCIV. *The immutability of God.*
Job xxiii. 13.

- 1 **G**OD is unchangeably the same,
His Mind and Will are one;
He will be jealous for his Name,
And can be turn'd by none.
- 2 His vast Perfections all agree,
And cannot be disjoin'd;
But thro' a long Eternity
He is the same in Mind.
- 3 Immutable he must remain,
Nor alter his Decree;
He will his Rectitude maintain,
And keep his Purpose free.
- 4 Now may the Saints rejoice to hear,
Their sov'reign God above;
Is thus unchanging in his Care,
Eternal in his Love.
- 5 What tho' within this Wilderness,
They suffer Grievs and Pains;
Yet shall they find his sov'reign Grace,
Still undiminis'd reigns.
- 6 But dreadful to Impenitents
Is this unchanging God;
Who never will remove away
The Terrors of his Rod.

- 7 Make us, dear Lord, thy Will obey,
And follow thy Command ;
Direct us in thy holy Way,
To Canaan's happy Land.
- 8 Then shall our Joys eternal be,
Immutable and great ;
When our unchanging God we see,
And in his Kingdom meet.

CCV. *The Gospel of Christ the Word of Salvation.* Acts xi. 14.

- 1 **T**HE Gospel is the Word of Life,
Salvation there is found ;
Thro' Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace,
Who is with Glory crown'd.
- 2 The Gospel manifests to Men,
The Riches of his Grace ;
Who dy'd for Sins, and rose again
In perfect Righteousness.
- 3 There we are told of pardon'd Sin,
Thro' Jesus precious Blood ;
Of Souls renew'd to Life again,
And reconcil'd to God.
- 4 The Words of Grace doth here proclaim,
Salvation, Peace, and Love ;
To all that trust in Jesus Name,
Who sits enthron'd above.

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- 5 Salvation did Cornelius find,
When the Apostle came;
And taught him Righteousness and Life,
Thro' Faith in Christ the Lamb.
- 6 He found the Angel's Message true,
Who had in Vision said,
"He shall declare in Words to you,
"Salvation from the Dead."
- 7 Lord may we hear this Message now,
And find Salvation too!
The Wonders of thy Mercy know,
And be secure from Woe.
- 8 In Jesus we believe and trust,
Lord give us Life divine;
Then shall we rise from Sin and Dust,
And in thy Glory shine,

CCVI. *The Security of the Saints as God's Elect,*
Rom. viii. 33.

- 1 **W**HO shall condemn the Lord's Elect?
Will God who justifies?
Will he his holy Saints reject,
Or his Elect despise?
- 2 Whom he has chos'd in Christ the Lord,
And hath redeem'd with Blood?
He will be faithful to his Word,
And make his Promise good.

- 3 No Accusation can be laid
Against the chosen Race;
Whose Ransom is by Jesus paid,
Whose Purchase is by Grace.
- 4 Satan would fain accuse the Saints,
And the Elect destroy;
But cannot enter his Complaints,
Or take away their Joy.
- 5 The World with persecuting Rage,
Would an Indictment lay;
But Jesus will the World engage,
And give his Saints the Day.
- 6 Sin the worst Enemy of all,
Would yet destroy their Souls;
But Jesus keeps them lest they fall,
His Grace their Strength upholds.
- 7 What tho' the Conscience should accuse,
And fill the Saints with fear;
Their God will not their Faith refuse,
Nor turn away their Prayer.
- 8 Dear Lord, we own our Faults are great,
But we would plead with thee;
Thro' Jesus Righteousness compleat,
From Sin to set us free.

CCVII. *The Judgments of God teach Righteousness. Isaiah xxvi. 9.*

- 1 **L**ORD when thou mak'st thy Judgments
known,
And send'st thy Wrath abroad;
Sinners thy Majesty shall own,
And Saints adore their God.

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- 2 When from thine awful Stores of Wrath,
Thou send'st thy Veng'ance down,
The boldest Sinner on the Earth,
Shall sink beneath thy Frown.
- 3 Yet whilst the unrelenting Soul,
And hard'ned Sinner dies,
The broken Heart thou makest whole,
And hear'st its humble Cries.
- 4 Thy Judgments in the Earth shall learn
The Nations Righteousness;
Cause them before the Lord to mourn,
And plead his pard'ning Grace.
- 5 Thine awful Judgments, Lord, we fear,
And dread thy Terrors now;
We would thy sacred Name revere,
And at thy Footstool bow.
- 6 Make us to walk in holy Awe
Of thy majestic Pow'r;
To honour all thy righteous Law,
And thy great Name adore.
- 7 So shall thy Judgments teach us more
To see thy Justice shine,
Then all we understood before,
And bend our Wills to thine.
- 8 Thus shall the Tokens of thy Wrath,
Our stubborn Hearts subdue;
Remove from us thine awful Curse,
And thy rich Grace renew.

CCVIII. *The Promise of God, the Saint's
Foundation of Comfort.* Heb. xiii. 5.

- 1 **G**OD said to Joshua, "I will be
" Thro' all the Way a God to thee ;
" I will not leave thee to thy Fears,
" Will not forsake thee in thy Cares."
- 2 Supported by his Pow'r and Grace,
He passed thro' the Wilderness ;
Led on the Isr'elites their Way,
Trusting in God his constant Stay.
- 3 And brought them safe o'er Jordan's Flood,
Unto the promis'd Land of God ;
So shall the Christian safely go,
Thro' all this World of Trial too.
- 4 God's Promise still remains the same,
To all that fear and love his Name ;
And those that on his Promise rest,
Shall with his Pow'r and Grace be blest.
- 5 He still will make his Promise good,
" I will forever be thy God ;
" I will not leave thee in Dismay ;
" Will ne'er forsake thee in thy Way.
- 6 From their Temptations, Griefs, and Woes,
He'll bring them to a sweet Repose ;
Lead them safe thro' this painful State,
Till they arrive at Zion's Gate.

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- 7 When Sin or Satan can no more,
Foil and distress them as before;
When trickling Tears no more shall flow,
From various Scenes of painful Woe.
- 8 But brought to Heav'n's immortal Bliss,
They shall enjoy eternal Peace;
Where no Disturber e'er can come,
To interrupt their blessed Home.

CCIX. *Christ the Governor of the World by
God the Father's Promise.* Psalm ii. 9.

- 1 **T**HUS saith the mighty Father God,
“ My Son shall rule with Iron Rod;
“ And break the rebel Nations thro’;
“ Like as a Potsherd dash’d in Two.
- 2 “ His Rule, Authority, and Pow’r,
“ Shall Peace and Liberty restore;
“ And they that dare oppose his Reign,
“ Shall find their Efforts weak and vain,
- 3 “ He shall ascend my royal Throne,
“ The Nations round the Earth shall own
“ His sov’reign Pow’r and regal Sway,
“ And all his high Commands obey.
- 4 “ His Foes submissive at his Feet,
“ Shall awful Pow’r and Veng’ance meet;
“ Whilst he shall set my Servants free,
“ From all their cruel Tyranny.”

- 5 Dear Jesus! is thy Pow'r so great!
And such the Honours of thy State?
Let Men and Angels bow to thee!
And all thy Foes before thee flee.
- 6 We own thy vast Dominion, Lord,
We would obey thy sacred Word,
Submit to all thy sov'reign Will,
And thy divine Commands fulfil.
- 7 Take us beneath thy tender Care,
Free us from ev'ry dang'rous Snare,
Save us from Sin's Dominion, Lord,
And let us hear thy pard'ning Word.
- 8 Then shall we raise triumphant Songs,
And Praise thee with our joyful Tongues;
Proclaim the Wonders of thy Grace,
And sing aloud thy Righteousness.

CCX. *The Goodness of God a Foundation to trust in him.* Nahum i. 7.

- 1 **T**HE Lord is great, the Lord is good,
He gives to all Men Life and Food;
His Mercies ever shall endure,
When Earth and Time shall be no more.
- 2 The Lord is good to all his Saints,
He hears and pities their Complaints,
He will relieve them when distressed,
And make them in his Favour blest.
- 3 The Sinner in his Mercy shares,
With whom his Goodness long forbears,
If he repents and turns to God,
He shall receive his pard'ning Word.

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- 4 But Saints the Objects of his Love,
He'll crown with Blessings from above ;
And guide them safely thro' the Way,
That leads to everlasting Day.
- 5 When Days of Grief and Trouble rise,
To their Relief he quickly flies ;
He will their Lives in Safety keep,
His Guardian Angels never sleep.
- 6 He is the Rock of their Defence,
And no Arrest can take them thence ;
In his Pavilion safe they hide,
And shall as firm as Rocks abide.
- 7 He knows the Men that seek his Face,
And ask the Blessings of his Grace ;
Who trust upon his mighty Pow'r,
Who humbly Worship and adore.
- 8 His mighty Pow'r defends them well,
From all the Foes of Earth and Hell ;
He'll lead them safe from Earth to Heav'n,
Where Crowns of Glory shall be giv'n.

CCXI. *Christ's Care over the Lambs of the Flock.* John xxi. 15.

FOR YOUNG PERSONS.

- 1 JESUS, the Shepherd of the Flock,
Our Hope and our eternal Rock ;
Will lead and save the humble Sheep,
The tender Lambs in Safety keep.

- 2 He'll lead them in the safest Way,
And gently turn them when they stray ;
Feed them with mild and wholesome Food,
Whose Lives he purchas'd with his Blood.
- 3 He dy'd to rescue them from Sin,
To make them holy, pure, and clean ;
To purchase for them heav'nly Blifs,
With everlasting Joy and Peace.
- 4 Tho' in this Wilderness they roam,
He'll guide them to his Father's Home ;
Nor shall the feeblest Lambs be lost,
His precious Blood their Ransom cost,
- 5 The under Shepherd's he'll command,
To lead them safe to Canaan's Land ;
To teach them to obey his Will,
And lead them forth to Zion's Hill.
- 6 He bids them nothing to conceal,
But all his Love to them reveal ;
To teach them how, and shew them where,
They may 'scape each dang'rous Snare.
- 7 Children and Youth behold the Love !
Of your dear Saviour from above !
Who deigns to make your Lives his Care,
And brings his saving Mercy near.
- 8 O hear his Voice, obey his Word !
And follow on to know the Lord ;
That when your Natures fail and die,
He may receive your Souls on high.

CCXII. *God's gracious Warning to guilty Sinners.* Ezekiel xxxiii. 11.

FOR A FAST-DAY.

- 1 **T**URN, turn ye," saith the Lord, and flee
 " From all your evil Ways to me ;
 " Fly to the Standard of my Grace,
 " And learn to walk in Righteousness.
- 2 " Why will you Sin, why will you die ?
 " And call my Veng'ance from on high ?
 " Let not my Wrath Destruction pour,
 " Obey my Word, and sin no more."
- 3 Such gracious Warnings God did give,
 That Isr'el might repent and live ;
 Such is his love to Sinners now,
 Who will before his Footstool bow.
- 4 He has reveal'd his pard'ning Word,
 He saith, " Return ye to the Lord,
 " Repent, and be forever blest,
 " And I'll receive you to my Rest."
- 5 And shall we still go on in Sin ?
 Remain unholy and unclean ?
 Against the Lord of Love rebel,
 And walk the Road that leads to Hell ?
- 6 Incline our Hearts, O Lord, to thee,
 Set us from Sin and Mischief free,
 Cause us to tread thine holy Ways,
 Adore thy Name and sing thy Praise.

- 7 Avert thy Judgments, Lord, and shew
What Wonders thy rich Grace can do;
Redeem our Souls and make us thine,
And let thy Grace upon us shine.
- 8 Let us offend our God no more,
But his rich Grace and Love adore;
Then shall our Lives be free from Death,
And Praise shall fill our lasting Breath,

CCXIII. *God the Creator, Preserver, and
Deliverer of his People, unto the end.*
Isaiah xlv. 4.

FOR AGED SAINTS.

- 1 **T**HUS saith Jehovah, "I'm your Lord,
"I will fulfil my sacred Word;
"And to your long advanced Age,
"I will perform what I engage.
- 2 "I am the Lord who made your Souls,
"And your weak Life and Strength upholds;
"And when thro' Age your Heads are grey,
"I will my Blessings still convey.
- 3 "My Pow'r and Goodness is the same,
"I will maintain my glorious Name;
"From your Beginning to your End,
"I'll be your Father, God, and Friend.

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- 4 "Your various Burdens I will bear,
 "Deliver you from ev'ry Snare;
 "Will carry you as in mine Arms,
 "And safely keep you free from Harms.
- 5 "I am the Lord, my Pow'r is strong,
 "Salvation I will make your Song;
 "I will deliver, I will save,
 "When e'er you shall my Mercy crave."
- 6 Is this thy Promise, this thy Love?
 Father of Light who dwells Above?
 We would devote our Lives to thee,
 And to thy saving Mercy flee.
- 7 Thou wilt support our fleeting Days,
 And we shall sing thy constant Praise;
 When Sorrows come and Troubles rise,
 We'll lift our Voices to the Skies.
- 8 In God we shall be most secure,
 In all the Trials we endure;
 When Mortal Life shall be no more,
 His Name we ever shall adore.

CCXIV. *The Vanity of this World, and
 the Importance of heav'nly Treasures.*
 Luke xii. 33.

- 1 **H**ERE we have no abiding Home,
 But ever hast'ning to the Tomb;
 Upon the Wings of Time we fly,
 Till Mortal Nature faint and die.

- 2 The Riches of this World are vain,
Uncertain is our Loss and Gain;
The plund'ring Thief may steal away,
The Moth corrode, and Age decay.
- 3 In vain we earthly Bliss pursue,
Where Pains and Sorrows pierce us thro';
Our Joys and Pleasures haste and flee,
Swift as the Waves that roll the Sea.
- 4 Here we possess, but not our own,
Our Treasures are in Realms unknown;
And while we sojourn here below,
Our Lives, our All, to God we owe.
- 5 Our Lord has taught us to beware,
Of carping Thoughts and anxious Care;
To give, (if ought we here possess)
To fellow Mortals in Distress.
- 6 To seek those heav'nly Treasures, where
Immortal Joys and Comforts are;
And solace on the Joys above,
Where Saints shall feast on endless Love.
- 7 Where their rich Treasures are secure,
And shall forever firm endure;
Where Thieves can ne'er approach and come,
To interrupt their blissful Home.
- 8 Nor Age decay or Moth corrode,
The Treasures of their blest Abode;
O may we, Lord, when e'er we die,
Be fitted for such Joys on high.

CCXV. *An Exhortation to love God and hate Evil.* Psalm xcvi. x.

- 1 **O** Ye that love the Lord !
And fear his sacred Name !
Strictly obey his holy Word,
His boundless Grace proclaim !
- 2 Exult in sacred Joy !
For Love he has exprest ;
Who might your guilty Lives destroy,
Yet now has made you blest.
- 3 Who gave his Son for you,
To shed his precious Blood,
That so redeem'd and pardon'd too,
You might enjoy your God.
- 4 Your great Creator Praise,
Who gave you Life and Breath ;
Your warm and high Affections raise,
To him who saves from Death.
- 5 His holy Nature love,
Whose Excellencies shine ;
In Glories all-supreme above,
Most holy and divine.
- 6 Love all his holy Ways,
Obey his sacred Will ;
And thro' the remnant of your Days,
His high Commands fulfill.

7 Hate all that evil be,
And ev'ry Sin detest,
For none but holy Saints shall see,
The God of Peace and Rest.

8 Let all your Thoughts be pure,
Your Words sincere and true;
In holy Actions well endure,
And Glory shall ensue.

CCXVI. *The Saint's Inheritance in Glory.*
Coloff. i. 12.

- 1 **H**OW glorious are the Saints above!
In heav'nly Light they shine!
Their rich Inheritance is great,
And all their Joys divine!
- 2 Crowned with Righteousness and Peace,
Exalted they appear,
Within the Realms of heav'nly Bliss,
And heav'nly Glories Share.
- 3 So shall the Saints on Earth ascend
Above the lofty Sky;
And God their everlasting Friend,
Shall raise their Honours high.
- 4 He called them from their state of Sin,
In which condemn'd they stood;
He purify'd their Hearts within,
And cleans'd their Souls with Blood.

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- 5 Their rich Inheritance is sure,
Reserv'd for them in Heav'n;
By Christ the Saviour made secure,
By God the Father giv'n.
- 6 Eternal Thanks be paid to thee,
O Father, sov'reign Lord!
And let thy Son and Spirit be
With endless Praise ador'd.

CCXVII. *The joy of the Gospel in its glorious
Success. Acts xi. 23.*

- 1 GREAT is the Word of Life and Peace,
Which brings to Men immortal Bliss;
Which manifests the Grace of God,
And sends his glorious Truth abroad.
- 2 Joyful the News this Gospel brings!
The Captive and the Pris'ner sings;
Salvation to the God of Love,
Who sends his Pardon from above.
- 3 The Nations hear his sov'reign Grace,
And learn to know his Righteousness;
Taught to forsake their evil Ways,
Adore his Name and sing his Praise.
- 4 The Heathens learn to know his Name,
And see their Folly, Sin, and Shame;
Yield to his sov'reign Grace and Pow'r,
His Mercy crave, his Name adore.

- 5 Angels and Saints rejoice to see
The Sinner set from Bondage free ;
Victorious Grace the Conquest gains,
And burst the Sinner's cruel Chains.
- 6 O may our Hearts be fully set,
To seek the Way to Zion's Gate ;
And resolutely keep the Road,
That leads to Happiness and God.

CCXVIII. *Christ's Commission from his Father
to give eternal Life to Sinners.* John xii. 50.

- 1 **WE** bless the Father's wond'rous Love !
Where Grace is infinite !
Who sent commission'd from above,
The Son of his Delight.
- 2 His great Command was Life and Peace,
To Sinners of our Race ;
And Blessings of immortal Bliss,
Shall crown his sov'reign Grace.
- 3 Immortal Praise is justly due,
To Jesus Christ our Lord ;
Who did the glorious Work pursue,
Commission'd by his Word.
- 4 Descending from his lofty Throne,
With kind Designs to Men ;
He made his Father's Mercy known,
And brought them Life again.

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- 5 He shed his own most precious Blood,
That he might Life restore;
Within the Place of Wrath he stood,
And all its Veng'ance bore.
- 6 He conquer'd Satan, Death, and Sin,
And broke their cruel Pow'r;
Rose from the Tomb to Life again,
And lives forever more.
- 7 Thus he fulfill'd the great Decree
Th' eternal Father made;
And set the guilty Sinner free,
And all his Ransom paid.
- 8 Dear Jesus we adore thy Name!
And trust thy Righteousness;
We would forsake our Sin and Shame,
And bless the Father's Grace.

CCXIX. *Patient waiting for the coming of
Christ under present Sufferings.*
James v. 8.

- 1 **B**E patient, O ye Christians now,
With humble Fear and Rev'rence bow;
Submissive bear your Sufferings here,
Nor think your Trials too severe.
- 2 Be steadfast, resolute, and strong,
Nor think the trying Period long;
But patient, wait th' approaching Day,
When all your Grievs shall flee away.

- 3 Flesh will oppose your heav'nly Course,
And strive to turn your Hearts by Force,
Disturb your best Devotions here;
Perplex your Souls, alarm your Fear.
- 4 The World would tempt your Feet aside,
Alarm you with its swelling Tide;
And will its angry Malice show,
Whilst thro' this Wilderness you go.
- 5 Satan will seek you as his Prey,
To take your Joys and Lives away;
Will tempt, deceive, ensnare, and try,
If he can make you faint and die.
- 6 But raise your sinking Courage up,
And trust in Christ with Faith and Hope;
For he will come and set you free,
And cause your cruel Foes to flee.

CCXX. *The Promise of God's Presence with
his Saints in all their Afflictions.*
Isaiah xliii. 2.

- 1 **I**N this wild Wilderness we go,
Thro' various changing Scenes of Woe;
We sail the Sea of Trouble o'er,
With dang'rous Passes to the Shore.
- 2 Rivers of Grief obstruct the Way
That leads to everlasting Day;
And large and powerful Armies stand,
To keep us from the promis'd Land.

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- 3 Fierce Fires with raging Fury burn,
To make our frighten'd Souls return ;
With threat'ning Veng'ance to consume,
While to pass on we dare presume.
- 4 The furious Flames with awful bend,
Against our pious Course contend ;
Fierce raging Persecutors come,
To keep us from our heav'nly Home.
- 5 But if we trust, and fix our Hope
On God, the Saints eternal Rock ;
He will convey us safely thro'
Waters, and Fires, and Rivers too.
- 6 Thus he has promis'd, " I will be
" In troubled Waters near to thee ;
" Nor shall the Rivers overflow,
" Tho' swelling Waters lie below.
- 7 " And when the Fires inclose thee round,
" In me thy Safety shall be found ;
" Nor shall the scorching Flame have Pow'r
" To kindle on thee, or devour."
- 8 Are these thy Promises of Grace,
Dear Lord we would pursue our Race,
O bear us on thy Wings of Love,
Till we shall reach thy Courts above.

CCXXI. *The afflicted Christian's Desire of
Release with Confidence of Hope in future
Blessedness.*

- 1 **Y**E grievous Scenes of Time away,
And come ye sweet and joyful Day ;
When I shall be at Peace and Rest,
And dwell forever with the Blest,

- 2 When I shall know, as I am known,
And view my heav'nly Father's Throne;
When I shall see how wise was God,
In past Corrections of his Rod.
- 3 Shall see how Goodness let me thro'
This dang'rous Wilderness below;
Where my Afflictions all were given,
To lead me in the Way to Heav'n.
- 4 And also view my Grievs below,
With Wonder and with Praises too;
And bless my God for all his Grace,
His Wisdom, Love, and Righteousness.
- 5 How shall I joy in Freedom set!
Nor my past Suff'rings now regret;
But satisfy'd with all his Ways,
Shall fill Eternity with Praise.
- 6 Enjoy the Presence of my God,
No more to feel his awful Rod;
But made secure in lasting Peace,
Shall solace in immortal Bliss.
- 7 Is this the rest I have in View!
I'll bid this sinful World adieu;
Nor court her false deceitful Charms,
But cast her from my fondling Arms.
- 8 Now let my strong Affections rise,
To the fair Realms above the Skies;
Where all my lasting Treasures be,
And I shall God my Father see.

CCXXII. *The Glory of God revealed in Christ.*
Isaiah xl. 5.

- 1 **T**HUS saith the sacred Prophecy,
 “The Glory of the Lord
 “ Shall be revealed from on high,
 “ By the incarnate Word.
- 2 “ All Flesh shall see his Glory shine,
 “ And know his sov’reign Grace ;
 “ Shall hear his Doctrines all Divine,
 “ And learn his Righteousness.
- 3 “ The God of perfect Truth hath said,
 “ He shall be thus reveal’d ;
 “ To raise lost Sinners from the Dead,
 “ And hath the Promise seal’d.
- 4 The Lord hath made his Promise good,
 And his rich Glories known ;
Hath sent his Son to shed his Blood,
 And rais’d him on his Throne.
- 5 Jesus that died rose again,
 And lives forever more ;
He shall forever rule and reign,
 While all the Saints adore.
- 6 Gentiles and Jews shall each unite,
 With Harmony and Love ;
To make his Worship their Delight,
 And sing his Praise above.

- 7 His Glories are supremely bright,
Immensely rich his Grace;
Redeeming Love his chief Delight,
With Truth and Righteousness.
- 8 With joyful Wonder, Love, and Praise,
Dear Lord, we come to thee;
And would our loud Hosanna's raise,
To all Eternity.

CCXXIII. *The Saint's Desire to be taught of
God in the Knowledge of his Word.*
Psalm cxix. 18.

- 1 **L**ORD, open thou mine Eyes, to see
The wond'rous Things reveal'd of thee;
May I behold thy Law, and know
Thy Nature and Perfections too.
- 2 Thy Law and Gospel both agree,
In wond'rous Love and Harmony;
To make thy various Glories shine,
In heav'nly Lustre all divine.
- 3 Thy Nature, spiritual and pure,
Thy vast Perfections firm and sure;
Are in thy sacred Word display'd,
With ev'ry Excellence array'd.
- 4 Give to my Understanding, Lord,
Such Light and Knowledge of thy Word;
That I may there divinely see,
The glorious Things set forth of thee.

- 5 Teach me my Duty to my God ;
Direct me, Lord, to thine Abode ;
O guide me in the Way of Peace,
That leads to everlasting Blifs.
- 6 Then shall I fee; and know, and love,
The Glories of my God above ;
With whom I would forever live,
And to him endless Praises give.

CCXXIV. *The Christian's Desire to be made
the Epistle of Christ, by the Operations of
his Spirit upon the Heart* 2 Cor. iii. 3.

- 1 **T**HINE holy Spirit, Lord, impart,
To write thy Law upon my Heart ;
To turn my Heart of Stone to Flesh,
And there thy Word of Grace impress.
- 2 Open mine Eyes to read thy Law,
To thee my strong Affections draw ;
Make me th' Epistle of thy Grace,
And fill my Heart with Righteousness.
- 3 There let thy Spirit, Lord, engrave
That Word of Life thy Servant crave,
And guide him in the Way of Peace,
That leads to thine Abode of Blifs.
- 4 Shew me the Tokens of thy Love,
By inward Blessings from above ;
Within my Heart thy Witness give,
That by thy Grace my Soul shall live.

- 5 Give me thy Spirit's gracious Seal,
And to my Heart thy Love reveal;
With deep engravings there impress,
Thy pard'ning Love and Righteousness.
- 6 Then dearest Lord, I shall be thine,
And in thy holy Graces shine;
Form'd by thy Spirit to possess,
The heav'nly Glories of thy Grace.

CCXXV. *The Righteousness and Justice of
God, in his Corrections and Judgments.*
Job. xxxiv. 23.

- 1 **T**HE God of Heav'n extends his Reign,
O'er Angels, and the Race of Men;
All Creatures are at his dispose,
By whose Almighty Pow'r they rose.
- 2 He's wise and holy, just and true,
He'll give to ev'ry one their due;
When he afflicts, he'll not exceed
The Rules his Justice has decreed.
- 3 He'll Truth and Righteousness maintain,
And Justice shall his Throne sustain;
The penal sanctions of his Law,
Shall Creatures to Obedience draw.
- 4 His Judgments are forever just,
The Faithful in his Mercy trust;
He will correct them but in Love,
And fit them for the Realms above.

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- 5 No Charge against him can be laid,
No Accusation can be made;
His Ways are holy, just, and pure,
His Word and Promise firm endure.
- 6 Dear Lord, we would submit to thee,
Make us what thou wouldst have us be;
Whate'er Afflictions fill the Way,
Lead us to everlasting Day.

CCXXVI. *The Uncertainty of Life and Possibility of sudden Death, important Reasons to Watch and Pray.* Mark xiii. 33.

- 1 **A**DAM, the Man who sinned first,
Was sentenc'd to return to Dust;
His Race is Mortal, and must die,
Doom'd in the Dust of Death to lie.
- 2 One Generation pass away,
Another comes a while to stay;
But soon is gone, but soon is fled,
To dwell amongst the silent Dead.
- 3 When Death shall strike his fatal Blow,
None of the Sons of Men can know;
But soon and sudden Death may come,
And call us to the silent Tomb.
- 4 This World itself shall have an end,
The Earth shall burn, the Sky shall rend;
Dissolving Nature pass away,
At some unknown, but certain Day.

- 5 Take heed, ye Sons of Men, beware
 Lest Sin and Satan you ensnare;
 Think on the solemn Hour to come,
 When you must quit this earthly Home.
- 6 Be constant on your Watch, and stand
 Ready to hear your Lord's Command;
 In all the Christian Armour drest,
 Then shall you be with Vict'ry blest.
- 7 And when you watch with earnest Care,
 Lift up the Heart and Voice in Pray'r;
 And let your Cries ascend the Throne,
 Whence God will send his Blessings down.
- 8 Then Death may come, but not surprize,
 Your ready Hands, your wakeful Eyes;
 But tho' your Mortal Bodies die,
 Your Souls shall mount the upper Sky.

CCXXVII. *The Grace of God the Foundation of any Goodness in Men.*

I Cor. xv. 10.

- I **A**POSTATE Men, how sad their State!
 Without the Life divine!
 Whilst dead in Trespases and Sins,
 No moral Beauties shine.

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- 2 So hard their Hearts by Nature prove,
Tho' God his Grace displays;
Regardieſs of his ſacred Love,
They hate his holy Ways.
- 3 Yet ſhall his Grace effectual be,
When his Almighty Pow'r
Shall open their blind Eyes to ſee,
And Life divine reſtore.
- 4 What e'er of Goodneſs we poſſeſs,
In Holineſs and Love,
'Tis thro' the Riches of his Grace,
Descending from above.
- 5 Lord we are vile, by nature dead
To all that is divine;
On us thy holy Spirit ſhed,
And cauſe thy Grace to ſhine.
- 6 Give us Repentance, Faith, and Love,
And turn our Hearts to thee;
Then ſhall thy Grace effectual prove,
And us from Bondage free.
- 7 Remove our Guilt for Jeſus ſake,
Who ſhed his precious Blood;
Then ſhall we of thy Love partake,
And ever dwell with God.
- 8 Then with eternal Joy we'll ſing
The Glories of thy Name;
In Honour to our heav'nly King,
In Praises to the Lamb.

CCXXVIII. *Exhortation to fear the Lord.*
 Psalm xxxiv. 11.

FOR YOUNG PERSONS:

- 1 COME Children fear the living God,
 And learn his holy Ways ;
 So shall you 'scape his awful Rod,
 And Peace shall crown your Days.
- 2 Now, God, your great Creator fear,
 And learn to know his Will ;
 His pard'ning Love and Mercy hear,
 Who will his Grace fulfil.
- 3 His pure and holy Nature love,
 Obey his sacred Word ;
 Then shall you reach his Throne above,
 And there behold the Lord.
- 4 His vast Perfections now adore,
 And honour all his Name ;
 His pard'ning Mercy now implore,
 And Worship Christ the Lamb.
- 5 Christ, the dear Son, the Lamb of God,
 Who shed his precious Blood ;
 Who sends his Grace and Truth abroad,
 And makes his Promise good.
- 6 Now seek his Mercy whilst you live,
 And plead his pard'ning Grace ;
 Your humble Worship to him give,
 And trust his Righteousness.

- 7 Enquire the Way that leads to Bliss,
And walk the sacred Road,
That leads to heav'nly Life and Peace,
So shall you dwell with God.
- 8 Then may your Days fly swift away,
And Death this Flesh destroy;
Yet shall you find eternal Day,
And dwell in heav'nly Joy.

CCXXXIX. *Desire and Pray'r to be taught of
God, and brought to Faith in Christ.*
John vi. 45.

- 1 **L**ORD, I have heard thy Name is great,
And awful Justice guards thy State!
Yet is thy Mercy rich and free!
To such as turn again to thee.
- 2 Lord, I'm a Sinner gone astray,
Yet would I turn and seek thy Way;
O shew me where my Feet should go,
And turn me from the Paths of Woe.
- 3 Shew me how vile I am by Sin,
And make my filthy Nature clean;
Give me Repentance, Faith, and Love,
And my sad Loads of Guilt remove.
- 4 Lead me to Jesus Christ, the Lord,
Make me believe his holy Word;
Incline my Heart to seek his Grace,
My Soul to trust his Righteousness.

- 5 Open mine Eyes to read thy Law,
My Spirit to Obedience draw;
Make me thy glorious Gospel know,
And let thy Streams of Mercy flow.
- 6 Thy Spirit, Lord, to me impart,
And change my disobedient Heart;
Renew my Soul by sov'reign Pow'r,
And let thy Servant sin no more.

CCXXX. *Public Confession and Pray'r in a
Time of public Calamity.*

FOR A FAST-DAY.

- 1 **L**ORD we have sinn'd and done amiss,
Let not thine Anger burn;
But lead us in the Way to Bliss,
And let thy Grace return.
- 2 Lord we confess our Sins to thee,
Make our Repentance true;
Cause us from ev'ry Sin to flee,
And all our Souls renew.
- 3 Our Sins are multiply'd and great,
Our Follies full of Shame;
Lord make us ev'ry Sin to hate,
And glorify thy Name.
- 4 Let not our Hearts be stubborn still,
And all our Ways be Sin;
But teach us, Lord, to do thy Will,
And make our Natures clean.

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- 5 Thy Judgments, Lord, alarm our Fears,
Thine awful Wrath we dread!
Make us repent with contrite Tears,
Before thy Terrors spread.
- 6 For Jesus sake, O Lord, forgive,
And turn thy Wrath away;
Let thy repenting Rebels live,
And thy rich Grace display.

CCXXXI. *A sinful Nation warned of divine Judgments, and exhorted to Repentance without Delay.* Jeremiah xiii. 15, 16.

FOR A FAST-DAY.

- 1 **H**EAR and attend ye Sons of Men,
Repent, and turn to God again;
Hearken to all his solemn Word,
Rebel no more, but serve the Lord.
- 2 Before him all your Sorrows spread,
His awful threat'ning Judgments dread;
Before him walk in humble Fear,
Lest his keen Wrath destroy you here.
- 3 Confess your Sins to him with Shame,
Own and adore his awful Name;
Turn to him now without Delay,
That he may cast his Wrath away.
- 4 Before he Darkness o'er you spread,
And you be number'd with the Dead;
Or whilst you walk in Darkness fall,
On the dark Mountains rough and tall.

- 5 And when you look for Light, you find
The Shades of Death their Terrors bind;
And Darkneſs groſs ſhall fill your Way,
Without one glimpe of riſing Day.
- 6 Hearken to all his Warnings now,
With contrite Souls before him bow;
With humble Hearts to him draw near,
And ſeek his Grace by earneſt Pray'r.
- 7 Turn from your evil ways and live,
Glory to God Jehovah give;
Seek ye the Bleſſings of his Grace,
Thro' the Redeemer's Righteouſneſs.
- 8 Then will he turn to you again,
And let his ſov'reign Mercy reign;
Avert his Judgments, and renew
The Bleſſings of his Love to you.

CCXXXII. *The Seed Time and Harveſt, or
Works and Rewards compared.*
Gal. vi. 7, 8, 9.

- 1 **B**E not deceiv'd by Sin,
By Satan led aſtray;
But with the fear of God begin,
And ſeek his holy Way.
- 2 If to the Fleſh you ſow,
You muſt Corruption reap;
Such as the Seed, the Fruit will grow,
And its own Nature keep.

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- 3 But let your Seed be pure,
And to the Spirit live;
Then shall your Fruits of Joy be sure,
In Life that God will give.
- 4 And wait with Patience now,
The joyful Time shall come,
When you shall reap the Fruit you sow,
And bring the Harvest home.
- 5 Nor think the Season long
Before the Fruit you see;
But let your Faith in God be strong,
Who will your Portion be.
- 6 If on his faithful Word
You firmly now rely;
And live devoted to the Lord,
And sound his Praises high.

CCXXXIII. *Sinners compared with the Captives in Babylon, exhorted to return to the Lord, and come to Christ for Salvation.*
Zech. ix. 12.

- 1 **S**INNERS, ye Pris'ners of Hope,
For sake your captive State;
From Babylon to Zion fly,
And enter at her Gate.
- 2 There shall you be with Safety blest,
Enclos'd with Bulwarks strong;
Be Slaves no more, but find sweet rest,
And Vict'ry be your Song.

- 3 Ye captive Slaves of Satan now,
Forsake this World of Sin;
Turn to the Lord, before him bow,
He'll set you free again.
- 4 To Jesus come, who shed his Blood,
And paid your Ransom down;
He will redeem your Souls to God,
Your Heads with Glory crown.
- 5 Fly to his Cross, give him your Names,
Obey his Word and live;
Pardon and Life his Voice proclaims,
And he'll Salvation give.
- 6 His Grace is rich, his Love is strong,
He'll bear you on his Arm;
Victorious Grace shall be your Song,
Whatever Foes alarm.
- 7 The Lord will doubly now repay,
With Blessings rich and free;
And lead you in his holy Way,
His heav'nly Courts to see.
- 8 There shall you be enrich'd with Love,
And Glories all divine;
Within the heav'nly Courts above,
And glitt'ring Stars outshine.

CCXXXIV. *Faith in Christ without Disappointment or Shame.* Rom. x. II.

- 1 **T**HUS saith the sacred Word of God,
Concerning Christ the Lord,
"Whoever on his Name believes,
"And trusts upon his Word.

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- 2 " Shall never disappointed be,
" Of Pardon, Life, and Peace;
" But shall his holy Kingdom see,
" In Realms of heav'nly Blifs.
- 3 " He shall not be ashamed to own,
" And to profess his Name;
" To speak the Honours of his Throne,
" And his rich Grace proclaim."
- 4 Dear Jesus! in thy Name we trust,
Who shed thy precious Blood;
Thy Ways are holy, wise, and just,
And all thy Works are good.
- 5 We glory in thy Righteousness,
By which we're justify'd;
Worthy is Christ, and rich his Grace,
Who for us Sinners dy'd.
- 6 Lord we would Praise thy glorious Name,
Whilst here below the Sky;
And sound thy Praises still the same,
In the bright World on high.

CCXXXV. *The Peace and Security of those
that love God's Law.* Psalm cxix. 165.

1 **T**HEY shall have Peace that love God's
Law,
And thence shall ev'ry Comfort draw;
Nothing can e'er remove their Peace,
Nothing can take away their Blifs.

- 2 They love the holy Precepts giv'n,
And seek the Way that leads to Heav'n;
Believe the Promise of the Lord,
And trust upon his holy Word.
- 3 There they behold God's wondrous Grace,
His pard'ning Love, his Righteousness;
Thro' Jesus Christ, the Lord of Love,
Able to save, and Guilt remove.
- 4 In him they trust who shed his Blood,
To reconcile their Souls to God;
Redeem them from the Wrath to come,
And bring them to his heav'nly Home.
- 5 This Grace shall give their Souls Relief,
Remove their Fears, and sooth their Grief;
And give them holy Peace within,
In spite of Satan, Death, and Sin.
- 6 Satan may strive their Souls to slay,
The World would take their Peace away;
But nothing ever can remove,
The Blessings of eternal Love.

CCXXXVI. *The glorious Holiness of God
awful to Sinners, exemplified in divine Ven-
geance upon the Bethshemites.*

I Samuel vi. 20.

1 **H**OW holy is the Lord;
How awful is his Name?
How righteous is his holy Word,
And all his Works the same!

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2 His Nature is most pure,
And righteous are his Ways;
His holy Promises are sure,
And glorious is his Praise.

3 He is the holy one
Who dwells above the Sky;
The sov'reign Lord supreme alone,
And none with him can vie.

4 His Nature perfect is,
From all Pollution free,
No Holiness can equal his,
None can so righteous be.

5 Who can before him stand?
And bear his Holiness?
He will revenge with awful Hand,
The Sinners that transgress.

6 He's jealous for his Name,
His Honours will secure;
And all his Foes he'll put to Shame,
And make them Wrath-endure.

7 The Bethshemites but saw,
With fond and curious Eye!
Within the Ark, where was his Law,
And they must Thousands die.

8 O Lord, then how shall we,
Who have so often sinn'd;
The Terrors of thy Veng'ance flee,
Or make the Lord our Friend.

9 But Jesus Christ thy Son,
Can save us from thy Wrath;
Who dy'd for Sins that we have done,
And far remov'd the Curse.

10 Dear Lord! we humbly pray,
 For Jesus sake forgive;
 Turn all thine awful Wrath away,
 And let thy Servants live.

CCXXXVII. *Pardon and Life to Sinners by
 the Death and Resurrection of Christ.*
 Rom. iv. 25.

- 1 SUCH is the Father's wond'rous Grace!
 He gave his only Son;
 For guilty Mortals of our Race,
 Who were by Sin undone.
- 2 Jesus, the Lord, came down and dy'd,
 To rescue us from Sin;
 Submitted to be crucify'd,
 And suffer dreadful Pain.
- 3 Within the Tomb his Body lay,
 Without Corruption there;
 And on the third, th' appointed Day,
 He rose and did appear.
- 4 For us he conquer'd Sin and Death,
 And rose again on high;
 To prove his Righteousness compleat,
 Our Souls to justify.
- 5 Such is the Father's wond'rous Love,
 Who sent his Son from Heav'n;
 Such is the Grace of Christ above,
 Whose Life for us was giv'n.

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- 6 Lord in thy Name we now believe,
And trust thy Righteousness;
May we thy pard'ning Love receive,
And heav'nly Joys possess.

CCXXXVIII, *The Harvest, or end of the
World.* Matth. xiii. 39.

- 1 **T**HE Harvest of the World must come,
The Saints be gather'd to their Home;
Rebellious Sinners cast to Hell,
And there in Darkness ever dwell.
- 2 The holy Angels will go forth,
From East to West, from South to North;
To gather Saints and Sinners too,
The one to Bliss, the other Woe.
- 3 The Saints that love the Lord they'll bring,
Into the Palace of their King;
Where they shall be forever blest,
In Realms of Glory, Peace, and Rest.
- 4 But Sinners that despis'd the Lord,
And would not hearken to his Word,
Shall sink beneath his Veng'ance now,
Thrust down to dark Despair below.
- 5 Then Time with all its Scenes shall end,
The Earth dissolve, the Sky shall rend;
Saints shall exchange this Earth for Heav'n,
But Sinners down to Hell be driv'n.

- 6 Lord, make us now obey thy Voice,
That we may with thy Saints rejoice;
And let not Sin destroy our Souls,
Where fiery Veng'ance ever rolls.
- 7 But when the last great Harvest comes,
And all the Dead must leave their Tombs;
May we with Saints be gather'd in,
And rise to Life and Joy again.
- 8 Then shall we dwell with God above,
And know the Wonders of his Love;
And with the holy Angels raise,
Immortal Anthems to his Praise.

CCXXXIX. *Sinners redeem'd and pardon'd
thro' the Blood of Christ. Coloss. i. 14.*

- 1 **B**Y Nature we are all defil'd,
In consequence of Sin;
Our Fruit by Nature strange and wild,
Unwholesome and unclean.
- 2 By Sin and Satan led astray,
Our Souls are captive made;
And all the Comforts of our Day,
Turn'd into Midnight's Shade.
- 3 We've broke the Cov'nant of our God,
And trespass'd his Command;
As Violators of his Law,
We self-condemned stand,

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- 4 In Jesus is Redemption found,
And he can make us clean,
And break the Bonds wherewith we're bound,
By Satan and by Sin.
- 5 Our Condemnation he'll remove,
And take our Guilt away;
Who shed his precious Blood for us,
And did our Ransom pay.
- 6 If we repent and turn to him,
God will our Sins forgive,
And thro' his Righteousness compleat,
Our guilty Souls shall live.
- 7 His Arm is strong to set us free,
From all our cruel Foes;
By Death he gain'd the Victory,
And triumph'd when he rose.
- 8 He has a sacred Right to give
Eternal Life to Men;
And those that on his Name believe,
Shall heav'nly Blifs obtain.

CCXL. *The Depravity of human Nature, and
the Christian's Duty in opposing Sin.*
Rom. vi. 12.

- 1 **A**DAM, our first apostate Head,
Hath to all Men Corruption spread;
The first vile Seeds of Sin remain,
And strive to grow, and rule and reign.

- 2 Descended from a tainted Root,
Our Natures bear unholy Fruit ;
And prone to Evil still we go,
In Paths that lead to endless Woe.
- 3 But Souls that are renew'd by Grace,
And taught the Ways of Righteousness ;
Will Sin's rebellious Pow'r restrain,
And Vict'ry o'er Corruption gain.
- 4 Evil Desires must be subdu'd,
Before the Soul can be renew'd ;
And Grace that now converts the Soul,
Must Sin with all its Lusts controul.
- 5 Let us our sinful Passions curb,
That would our Peace and Rest disturb ;
And quench our vain Desires that rise,
With fair Pretences of Disguise.
- 6 And never venture to fulfil,
The vain Desires of carnal Will ;
But keep our Souls thro' Grace secure,
From every Thought and Act impure.
- 7 Walk in the Ways of Holiness,
Depending on Almighty Grace ;
To guide us in the heav'nly Road,
That leads to God's secure Abode.
- 8 Where Flesh and Sin can tempt no more,
And vex our Spirits as before ;
But set from all Pollution free,
Holy and joyful we shall be.

CCXLI. *The awful Case of impenitent Sinners in a State of future Punishment.*

Matth. 25. 46.

- 1 **H**OW awful is the solemn Word !
Pronounc'd by Jesus Christ the Lord;
" These Sinners shall depart, and go
" To Punishments of endless Woe."
- 2 Sinners impenitent must now,
Beneath his awful Veng'ance bow ;
Far distant from the Joys of Heav'n,
Down to the Depths of Darkness driven.
- 3 Fill'd with sad Horrors of Remorse,
To find their Mis'ry, Pain, and Loss ;
The Stings of Conscience ever feel,
And none the awful Wound can heal.
- 4 Tormented too with outward Pains,
Where fiery Veng'ance ever reigns ;
They must endure his dreadful ire,
In Veng'ance of eternal Fire.
- 5 Confin'd in Hell's dark Prison, where,
Shut up in Horrors of Despair ;
They wail and mourn with weeping Eyes,
And gnash their Teeth with doleful Cries.
- 6 Confin'd with evil Spirits too,
Who will encrease their lasting Woe ;
By whom they once were Captive led,
But now are Slaves in Darkness made.

- 7 Eternal must their Torments be,
No Saviour now can set them free;
How awful then that Voice depart!
What Pangs must rend the Sinner's Heart!
- 8 This Voice, dear Lord, I cannot bear,
It wounds my Heart, my Vitals tear;
Now, Lord, redeem me by thy Blood,
That I may ever live with God.

CCXLII. *The barren and fruitful Branches,
or false and true Professors.* John xv. 2.

- 1 **BEHOLD** the Vine its Branches give,
That Nourishment by which they live;
So Christ doth Life and Grace afford,
To all that truly love the Lord.
- 2 But as some Branches on the Vine,
Doth only grow, and round it twine;
And whilst enliven'd by the Root,
Bring forth no Blossoms, bear no Fruit.
- 3 So some that own the Lord by Name,
Receive his Blessings but in vain;
And whilst his Gospel they profess,
Bring forth no Fruits of living Grace.
- 4 The Husbandman will cast away,
Such fruitless Branches from the Tree;
So God will Hypocrites disown,
And cast the false Professors down.

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- 5 The Husbandman will prune and clear,
The fruitful Branch that it may bear;
So God corrects true Christians now,
That they may bring forth Fruit, and grow.
- 6 Lord make us now to grow and thrive,
Whilst by thy Grace in Christ we live;
Then shall we bear thy chast'ning Rod,
And bring forth better Fruit to God.

CCXLIII. *Christians exhorted to rejoice in their Hope with persevering Patience and constant Pray'r.* Rom. xii. 12.

- 1 **J**OY in your Hope, ye Christians now,
Of pard'ning Grace and Love;
Of Peace and Comfort here below,
And endless Life above.
- 2 Altho' you find your Natures weak,
And many Grievs may rise;
Trust in the Lord, his Mercy seek,
He'll give you rich Supplies.
- 3 Your Tribulations patient bear,
Whilst in this Wilderness;
And to his Throne of Grace draw near,
Who will his Children bless.
- 4 Pray without ceasing to your God,
His glorious Name adore;
Whilst you endure his chast'ning Rod,
And trust upon his Pow'r.

- 5 Pray to him in the Saviour's Name,
And plead his Merits too ;
And let his Glory be your Aim,
In all that you may do.
- 6 Then shall your Hope to Comforts grow,
Your Patience well endure ;
His Consolations you shall know,
And find his Mercies sure.

CCXLIV. *The City of the Saints Rest yet to come.* Heb. xiii. 14.

- 1 **H**ERE we have no continuing Home,
Or City of our Rest ;
But we are seeking one to come,
Where Saints are ever blest.
- 2 No lasting City here we find,
Whilst sojourning below ;
But shifting like the changing Wind,
We wander to and fro.
- 3 No Freedom here like Citizens,
Of a secure Abode ;
No Wall impregnable defends,
But Thieves infest the Road.
- 4 No certainty of Time to come,
Whilst here we draw our Breath ;
But ever hast'ning to the Tomb,
Must lay us down in Death.

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- 5 But there's a City built on high,
Where Saints immortal go,
Above the Regions of the Sky,
Secure and lasting too.
- 6 And there in perfect Freedom set,
From Sorrow, Death, and Sin,
Within the holy Zion's Gate,
They shall forever reign.
- 7 Now let us seek this blest Abode,
By holy Faith and Love;
Then shall we ever dwell with God,
And sing his Praise above.
- 8 Where we shall be forever blest,
In an immortal Home;
And be secure in Peace and Rest,
Where Sorrows never come.

CCXLV. *The blessedness of the Righteous at Death.* Rev. xiv. 13.

- 1 **B**LEST are the pious Dead, that die
In favour with the Lord;
Their Souls shall mount to Realms on high,
And meet a rich Reward.
- 2 Henceforth they shall in Glory be,
And heav'nly Joys possess,
Shall God in his rich Glories see,
And know his sov'reign Grace.
- 3 "Yea," saith the Spirit, "they shall rest,
"From all their Labours here;
"In holy Realms of Joy be blest,
"And find sweet Comforts there.

- 4 " Their Works shall follow them above,
 " And find Rewards of Grace ;
 " And all the Labours of their Love,
 " Be crown'd with Righteousness,"
- 5 The Labours of their Warfare cease,
 And they shall fight no more ;
 But dwell in Realms of heav'nly Bliss,
 And their own God adore.
- 6 Flesh can no more obstruct their Bliss,
 Nor Sin resist their Course ;
 The World no more reproach and hiss,
 Nor Satan join his Force.
- 7 Their Works of Duty here below,
 Of watching, Faith and Pray'r ;
 Shall cease from Toil and Labour now,
 And all their anxious Care.
- 8 Their Hopes to full Enjoyment rise,
 Their Faith shall turn to Sight ;
 And they be blest above the Skies.
 With Glories ever bright.

CCXLVI. *The Christian's Warfare and Vic-*
tory. Rev. iii. 5.

- I **T**HE Christian Warrior here must meet,
 With Enemies and Armies great ;
 Sin with its train of Evils stands,
 With many strong and pow'rful Bands.

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- 2 The Flesh deprav'd will now controul,
And much distress his holy Soul ;
Satan will stand with fiery Arms,
And give him many sad Alarms.
- 3 The World will lay ten thousand Snares,
And fill his Soul with cruel Fears ;
Death will his black'ned Horrors show,
And wound his Flesh with Mortal Blow.
- 4 The Grave will open to devour,
The Mortal Body by its Pow'r ;
And gaping Hell would swallow down,
And make the Prey of Death its own.
- 5 Yet shall the Christian overcome,
And reach his heav'nly Father's Home ;
Sin and the Flesh he'll crucify,
Satan shall flee, and Death must die.
- 6 For Christ, his Lord, will give him Pow'r,
And Sin and Death shall reign no more ;
The Grave his Body shall release,
And Hell no more disturb his Peace. ,
- 7 The Christian thus to overcome,
Must rest upon the Lord alone ;
Who conquer'd Satan, Death, and Sin,
When from the Grave he rose again.
- 8 'Tis by his rich atoning Blood,
The Christian is redeem'd to God ;
And by his Righteousness compleat,
Admitted near his glorious Seat.

CCXLVII. *The rich Reward of the Christian Conqueror.* Rev. iii. 5.

- 1 **T**HE Christian who shall Conquest gain,
 Shall with his Lord and Saviour reign;
 Christ will reward him with his Love,
 And seat him on his Throne above.
- 2 Cloath him with Raiment white and pure,
 And make his Righteousness endure;
 With royal Robes of Honour drest,
 He'll make him in his Glory blest.
- 3 Crown him with Righteousness and Peace,
 In Realms of everlasting Bliss;
 Will make him glorious, and own
 His Name before his Father's Throne.
- 4 Christ will his Name forever keep,
 Amongst the Records of his Sheep;
 Within his Book of Life engrav'd,
 Which Thence shall never be eras'd.
- 5 Angels shall hear the Lord proclaim,
 Honours of Vict'ry to his Name;
 And join to make the Triumph great,
 And crown the Honours of his State.
- 6 Redeemed by the Saviour's Blood,
 He shall forever dwell with God;
 And cloath'd with Jesus Righteousness,
 Shall heav'nly Glories e'er possess.

- 7 He that is faithful to his Lord,
 Shall surely have a rich Reward;
 For all his stedfastness and Zeal,
 In strict Obedience to his Will.
- 8 Jesus, who gives him Vict'ry now,
 Will rich Rewards of Grace bestow,
 And make him in his Kingdom blest,
 With Honour, Safety, Peace, and Rest.

CCXLVIII. *The Entrance of the Righteous
 into Life eternal. Matth. xxv. 46.*

- 1 **T**HE righteous Saints that God obey,
 And walk within his holy Way;
 Whom Christ redeems from Sin and Woe,
 To everlasting Life shall go.
- 2 Jesus, the Lord and Judge, hath said,
 "The Righteous, Pure, and Holy made,
 "Shall enter into Life in Heav'n,
 "Where Immortality is giv'n."
- 3 Jesus the Saviour, Judge, and Lord,
 Will speak that Soul transporting Word,
 "Ye Blessed of my Father come,
 "Now enter, and possess your Home.
- 4 "Within my Kingdom long prepar'd,
 "Before the World in Form appear'd;"
 Then shall the Righteous dwell in Heav'n,
 Where Life immortal shall be giv'n.

- 5 Safe and secure from Death and Sin,
Forever free from Grief and Pain ;
Where Satan never can molest,
But Saints shall be forever blest.
- 6 Their Joys shall there be made compleat,
In Glories near their Father's Seat ;
Where in their Persons they shall shine,
In glorious Beauties all divine.
- 7 Where ever in his Sight they'll live,
And everlasting Praises give ;
Enjoy the great Redeemer's Love,
And from his Presence ne'er remove.
- 8 Angels will there Delight to make,
Their Joys and Comforts rich and great ;
Whilst God the Source of all their Bliss,
Will give them everlasting Peace,

CCXLIX. *A Meditation on Death and the Resurrection.*

- 1 **H**OW awful is the Scene of Death !
When e'er we lose our Mortal Breath ;
The Mortal Body lifeless made,
And in the Tomb's cold Mansion laid.
- 2 Enclos'd in Darkness there it lies,
Hid from the Sight of Mortal Eyes ;
Where all its Frame must soon decay,
And be reduc'd to native Clay.

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- 3 How gloomy is this hidden Cell !
Where Worms and Death's Destruction dwell !
Where Death sits regent o'er his Prey,
Till the great Resurrection Day !
- 4 When the all-conquering Lord will come,
And force him to forsake the Tomb ;
When Death shall lay his Terrors by,
And rule no more, for Death shall die.
- 5 The Grave shall now disclose her Dead,
The Just shall live with Christ their Head ;
Shall in his glorious Image rise,
And dwell with him above the Skies.
- 6 View then my Soul this joyful Day !
When Christ shall Pow'r and Grace display ;
When Death and Sin no more shall reign,
But Saints shall heav'nly Blifs obtain.
- 7 When they shall mount on high and soar,
Where they shall sin and grieve no more ;
But made secure in heav'nly Blifs,
Shall there enjoy immortal Peace.
- 8 O may I wake ! and find me there !
And joyful with my Lord appear !
Forever to enjoy his Love,
In the sweet Realms of Joy above !

CCL. — *The Saint's View and Desire of future
Blessedness, free from the Griefs of Time.*

- 1 **M**Y Pains and Sorrows here shall cease,
When I shall reach the Realms of Blifs ;
Up to that World I fain would rise,
To Glories far above the Skies.

- 2 There to enjoy my God and King,
And with the Saints his Praises sing;
Where free from Sorrow, Grief, and Pain,
I shall with Christ forever reign.
- 3 All glorious in his Image blest,
And there enjoy eternal Rest;
There is no lasting Comfort here,
Where Pains and Sorrows are severe.
- 4 But in the happy World to come,
There is a lasting joyful Home;
And thither would my Soul ascend,
Where Life and Joy shall have no end,
- 5 Ye Scenes of Grief no more molest,
Nor let your Sighs torment my Breast;
Farewel all Earth's solicitude,
No longer on my Soul obtrude.
- 6 I would from your Confusion rest,
And solace where I may be blest;
My Heart with strong Desire I'll set,
To seek the Joys of Zion's Gate.
- 7 And enter there, where I shall be,
From ev'ry Pain and Sorrow free;
And there enjoy the God of Peace,
Within his Realms of heav'nly Bliss.
- 8 There solace in the Joys divine,
Where Saints shall in his Glories shine;
And there be blest with Joys compleat,
Near the bright Glories of his Seat.

CCLI. *The Saint's Faith and Comfort in a living Redeemer.* Job. xix. 25.

- 1 I Know that my Redeemer lives
Above the lofty Sky;
The Lord that Life and Being gives,
Will raise my Soul on high.
- 2 A Mortal Nature he assum'd,
Compos'd of human Clay;
But dying, he destroy'd Death,
And took his Sting away.
- 3 He that was dead forever lives,
And now can die no more;
Tho' Death this Mortal Frame destroys,
He will my Life restore.
- 4 When my Redeemer shall appear,
As Judge, he'll set me free
From my false Accusations here,
And I his Face shall see.
- 5 He'll stand upon the Earth again,
And summon all the Dead;
The Saints shall rise and with him reign,
For whom his Blood was shed.
- 6 Then shall I dwell with him above,
In some blest Mansion, where
I shall enjoy his sacred Love,
With Joy and Transport there,

CCLII. *The Saint's Knowledge of Death, and Assurance of a Resurrection.* Job xix. 26.

- 1 **I** Know this Mortal Frame must die,
And moulder back to Dust;
And in the darksome Grave shall lie,
Till God shall raise the Just.
- 2 The Worms shall eat his Mortal Flesh,
Till nothing shall remain;
But God will raise my Bones afresh,
And cloath them all again.
- 3 I shall awake and rise to see,
My dear Redeemer come;
Be set from Death's Destruction free,
And quit the doleful Tomb.
- 4 Then in my Flesh shall I behold,
My sov'reign God and King;
And to the heav'nly Harps of Gold
Shall tune my Tongue to sing.
- 5 Then shall I bear my Part above,
With Saints and Angels too;
To sing the Wonders of his Love,
Who set me free from Woe.
- 6 Shall solace on his Glories there,
With ever fresh Delight;
Transported whilst I stand so near,
And view his Glories bright.

CCLIII. *The Saint's Assurance of seeing God,
with longing Desires to enjoy him.*
Job xix. 27.

- 1 I Shall behold my Sov'reign's Face,
And mine own Eyes shall see ;
The Wonders of my Saviour's Grace,
Who shed his Blood for me.
- 2 This Flesh of which I'm now possess'd,
Made spiritual and pure ;
Shall dwell within his heav'nly Rest,
And ever there endure.
- 3 I shall not only see but know,
With self-enjoyment there ;
The heav'nly Blessings he'll bestow,
On Saints that lov'd him here.
- 4 I shall receive my own Reward,
Of an immortal Bliss ;
Thro' the rich Merits of my Lord,
With endless Life and Peace.
- 5 Dear Lord, with pensive Longings now,
I even faint to see,
The Place of thine Abode, and know
How rich thy Glories be.
- 6 When will the Day, dear Lord, appear?
The joyful Period come,
When my Redemption shall be near,
And thou wilt bring me Home ?

CCLIV. *The Apostle Peter, astonished at the draught of Fishes and comforted by his Lord; and Sinners awarmed by divine Power, and comforted by sovereign Grace.*

Luke v. 8, 10.

- 1 **P**ETER once bade the Lord "Depart,"
 Whilst yet he did adore;
 Amazing Fear now struck his Heart,
 To see his sov'reign Pow'r.
- 2 "Lord, I'm a sinful Man," he said,
 "And now I cannot bear,
 "Thy Pow'r and Majesty so great,
 "Which fills my Heart with Fear."
- 3 "Fear not," his dearest Lord reply'd,
 "The Fishes now obey,
 "But Sinners shall hereafter come,
 "In larger Shoals than they.
- 4 "Still greater Wonders shalt thou do,
 "Assisted by my Pow'r;
 "Sinners shall hear my Word, and know
 "That I can Life restore."
- 5 Thus when awaken'd Sinners see,
 God's wond'rous Pow'r display'd,
 Alarm'd with Fear they wish to flee,
 And be no more afraid.
- 6 But sov'reign Grace removes their Fear,
 And sweetly lets them know,
 That Christ by his Almighty Pow'r,
 Can set them free from Woe.

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- 7 The Lord who bid the Fishes come,
To Peter's empty Net,
Can call distress'd Sinners home,
To Zion's heav'nly Gate.
- 8 He'll take them from this troubled Sea,
Where rolling Billows roar,
And set them from their Sorrows free,
Upon the heav'nly Shore.

CCLV. *Christ the Foundation of Life to dead Sinners.* John v. 40.

- 1 CHRIST is the Lord of Life and Love,
And he alone can save,
Who came from the bright Realms above,
And triumph'd o'er the Grave.
- 2 The Sinner dead, in him shall live,
Who trusts upon his Pow'r,
Humble Obedience to him give,
And his rich Grace implore.
- 3 And those that would his Love obtain,
His pard'ning Grace receive,
Must from their Sins and Lusts refrain,
And on his Name believe.
- 4 And come to him by Faith, and rest
Upon his Grace alone;
Then he will make them rich and blest,
In Glories near his Throne.

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- 5 But Sinners that refuse to come,
And dare despise his Grace;
Shall ne'er enjoy his blissful Home,
Or know the joyful Place.
- 6 Dear Lord incline our Hearts to thee,
And give us Faith and Love,
Then shall we thy rich Glories see,
And dwell with thee Above.

CCLVI. *The Voice of God calling the dead
Sinner to awake and live, with the Pro-
mise of divine Light from Christ.*
Ephes. -v. 14.

- 1 **T**HUS saith the Word of God, "Awake,
" Rife from the Dead, and Life partake;
" Thou Sinner wake and sleep no more,
" But rise and Christ the Lord adore.
- 2 " His pow'rful Voice now calls to thee,
" His Grace is rich, his Mercy free,
" And joyful is the Sound he gives,
" The Soul that hears forever lives.
- 3 " He'll fill thee with his glorious Light,
" Dispel the gloomy Dusk of Night;
" Remove thick Darknes far away,
" And bring thee to eternal Day.
- 4 " He'll make thee know his sov'reign Grace,
" And shew thee all his Righteousness;
" Redeem thy Soul from Death and Sin,
" And purify thine Heart within.

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- 5 " He'll give thee Light and Joy divine,
" And make thee in his Glories shine ;
" Prepare thee for his Heav'nly Home,
" Where Sin and Death can never come."
- 6 Dear Jesus ! is thy Grace so great,
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